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UNITED STATES MAKES DETAILED REPLY TO MOLOTOV'S STATEMENT

London, May 11.—The Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, today received the American and French Ambassadors in London, Mr Lewis H. Douglas, and M. Rene Massigli, for urgent discussion of M. Molotov's "Yes" to Soviet-United States negotiations for a settlement of differences. World relief and renewed hope contrasted with official caution and reserve in London and Washington, Reuter despatches disclosed.

General Walter Bedell Smith, the American Ambassador to Moscow, who made the approach to the Kremlin, said in Berlin that the Russians had violated confidence by releasing the story. He had left Moscow this morning on "a fishing holiday."

A Foreign Office official made it clear that Britain was not informed of the American move and had not expected.

Swiss Radio, typical of general world opinion, called the Moscow disclosure "great news."

Repercussions from various centres included:

London: While high-level discussions went on, the Foreign Office declined to comment before seeing the full text of the American note to Russia.

Diplomatic quarters saw two reasons for the official reserve:

1.—Anxiety lest the Soviet-American talks should delay decisions on the future of Germany, and lest American might be at a tactical disadvantage in the discussions with Russia because of United States-European commitments.

2.—The projected talks would be the first meeting of world importance without Britain.

CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM
Washington: Diplomatic circles, cautiously optimistic, gave no hint when or where a meeting might take place. It was assumed the action of the Moscow Ambassador, ordered by Mr George Marshall, Secretary of State, with President Truman's blessing.

The State Department issued the full text of General Bedell Smith's statement. New York Radio broadcast the text of both the American

and Soviet notes in its European transmissions.

Moscow: It was understood here that General Bedell Smith would not return to Washington to report. He left here on his way to France for a holiday arranged before the Molotov note.

All today's Soviet newspapers published the full text, the official news agency, report of the exchange of notes, first disclosed by Moscow Radio last night.

The Hague: Dutch observers thought M. Molotov would bargain for America to cease setting up world military and naval bases, abandon its sponsorship of the Western Union, and reverse some trends of the European aid programme, while the United States would want a reduction of some Communist activities.

Some quarters feared the talks might mean a diminished American interest in European recovery.

SWEDES SCEPTICAL

Stockholm: The Swedish press today welcomed Russia's acceptance of the American proposals but was sceptical of the outcome.

Paris: The Independent Right-wing France Soir, described the news as "the most sensational event since the end of the war," and said nobody would greet it with more profound joy than the French.

The Independent Left-wing France Soir said: "Let us not ask too much. Let us be content with an easing of the situation—that, in itself, is enough for the world."

There was a sharp drop in gold prices on the French Stock Exchange and the black market rate for the dollar as a result of the news.

Berlin: An official of the Western-licensed Christian Democratic Union described the Molotov "yes" to America as "a sign of weakness." Vorwärts, the newspaper of the Soviet-sponsored Socialist Unity Party, called it "an alleviation of the world situation," and a spokesman of the party said: "We welcome every step that is likely to lead to an understanding between the big powers."

The Soviet-licensed Nacht Express said the American move meant that the United States "is fed up with the cold war." "The Soviet Union is unmistakably in favour of a realisation of the United Nations programme. It is now up to America to show she is willing to carry out President Roosevelt's wishes," the paper said.

GENERALITIES BARRED

Washington, May 11.—The views expressed by M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, in reply to General Bedell Smith, the American Ambassador in Moscow, did not provide sufficient evidence of willingness for reasonable and specific negotiations to justify the United States agreeing to present to a meeting to resolve differences, official American sources said today.

They insisted that additional overtures from Russia would be necessary if the hopes for such a meeting were to be fulfilled.

The sources, which spoke with authority on United States policy, declared: "General Bedell Smith made it clear to the Russians that we are available at any time. On the other hand, we are not prepared to meet with the Russians on a basis of glittering generalities. 'If the Russians have anything specific to propose, any constructive suggestions, there will be dis-

cussions. And we hope to God there will."

This official view was disclosed while the State Department—for "on the record" purposes—enforces a strict "No Comment" rule on the Soviet Foreign Minister's suggestion for "a discussion and settlement of differences existing between us."

To all questions on this point, State Department spokesmen referred correspondents to President Truman's statement, and added: "We are not prepared to add to this."

REPLY TO MOLOTOV

Washington, May 11.—The United States today issued a point by point reply to M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister's statement suggesting a meeting between the Russian and United States Governments.

The United States said it did not want to indulge in a contest of words which might be interpreted as "the pot calling the kettle black."

The reply was in the form of additional comments made by General Walter Bedell Smith, the United States Ambassador to the Soviet Union, to M. Molotov on May 9 after the Soviet Foreign Minister had replied to the American note.

In issuing details of General Bedell Smith's remarks, the State Department refrained from making any comment on the Russian proposal for a resumption of discussions between the two countries.

M. Molotov's note had yet to be formally received by the State Department. Before any specific commitments are adopted or any binding comment made, the indications are that consultations will be held between the Secretary of State, Mr George Marshall, and President Truman and the Cabinet.

General Bedell Smith, referring to M. Molotov's remarks on the "development of United States bases," said: "I can only say that our entire history is a refutation of any suspicion of a policy which involved aggressive war."

HONESTY OF PURPOSE

"The drawing together of the Western European countries," the American Ambassador said in his report to the State Department, which paraphrased his comments to M. Molotov, "and the support which was being given to them by the United States, was a direct reflection of the apprehensions and fears which had been aroused by the expansionist policy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

In his report on his conversation with M. Molotov, General Bedell Smith continued: "I said the United States was secure in its honesty of purpose with regard to the European recovery programme completely unable to understand the implications placed on that programme by the Soviet Union."

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Early Korean Election Results

Seoul, May 11.—Tension has eased and little violence was reported throughout South Korea today after yesterday's first democratic election in the country's history.

People moved about freely and showed great interest in the early elections returns displayed on boards in the streets.

These results placed five moderate Rightwingers of the Hanbok Democratic Party ahead in Seoul. Dr Syngman Rhee, leader of the National Society for the rapid realisation of Korean independence, was elected unopposed in Seoul, but none of his supporters was ahead in the metropolitan contests.

His supporters were leading however in a number of country elections.

LEFTWINGER WINS

Independent candidates were most prominent in the preliminary returns from country districts.

One of the few final returns indicated the success of a Leftwing candidate in the Pusan district. Complete returns are not expected for several days.

Meanwhile, the United Nations Commission in Korea today protested against the decision of General Douglas MacArthur, the Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, not to allow the Commission to enter Japan to write its report on the Korean elections.

The protest was cabled to Dr Trygve Lie, the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The Commission expects Dr Lie to make an official protest.—Reuter.

A Question Of Citizenship

London, May 11.—The Government has asked the Dominions whether the term "Commonwealth citizen" would be preferable to "British citizen" when referring to British subjects.

Speaking of the ambiguity of the term "British" during a debate in the House of Lords today on British nationality, the Lord Chancellor, Lord Jowitt, said that the peoples of some of the newer Dominions, such as India, Pakistan and Ceylon, and some of those who were dependants of "other great parent nations," like the French in Canada and the Dutch in South Africa, might not like to use the term "British."

"If the word is a stumbling block to anyone, let us by all means see if we can find an alternative term such as Commonwealth citizen."

The Lord Chancellor was asking the Lords to agree to a Bill which gives effect to the principle that the people of each self-governing country within the British Commonwealth will have a particular status as citizens of their own country, and a common status as members of the Commonwealth.

It establishes a common citizenship for the people of the United Kingdom and the colonies, and provides that a woman should not lose her British nationality on marrying an alien.—Reuter.



When Venerable Lokanatha, Buddhist missionary priest from Burma, arrived at a lecture club in Los Angeles he was supposed to walk across a carpet of human hair provided by a dozen women because "Venerable is not permitted to walk on ordinary pavement," according to his spokesman. But, permitted or not, Venerable is walking on ordinary pavement here because only one of the women had hair long enough to spread before him.—AP Wirephoto.

Jerusalem To Be Made Open City

London, May 11.—Jerusalem will be declared an open city tomorrow or Thursday, barring unforeseen circumstances, the International Red Cross announced in Geneva tonight.

The entire city will become a security zone for the protection of non-combatant civilians under the scheme to which Britain, the United Nations Commission in Jerusalem, and the political and military organisations of the Jews and Arabs have given favourable consideration, according to the Red Cross announcement.

The plan is based on these main conditions:

1.—All troops to withdraw from the city.

2.—Food to go to the population by motor convoys which shall be allowed through the fighting lines.

3.—The International Committee of the Red Cross delegation to be entrusted with the control of the protective measures as far as possible.

Earlier, it was reported from Jerusalem that the Jewish Agency in Palestine wanted control of the Tel-Aviv-Jerusalem railway route as a condition of accepting the plan.

Despite a Jewish Agency denial, Red Cross officials in Geneva said today that both Arabs and Jews had agreed in principle to accept the plan, and they were confident formal approval would be given.

MEDIATION APPEAL

A Hagana spokesman in Tel-Aviv said today that no approach had been made to any Hagana official to declare Jaffa an open city.

The Jaffa Emergency Council is reported to have appealed to Britain and the United States to mediate before the Arab port falls under Jewish control when the British leave this week, and to have announced that the city would not be defended.

The Jews have given the British military authorities an undertaking to renounce any possible plans to use Haifa as a naval base before the British evacuation is completed at the end of July, Reuter despatches from Haifa said.

The Arab Liberation Army in Damascus tonight claimed that they had cut off nearly 1,000 Jews in a renewed battle at the Bab El Wad roadblock on the Jewish life-line from Tel-Aviv to Jerusalem.

An Arab communiqué said 4,000 Jews were taking part in the battle and that Arab guns were shelling those cut off.

ATTACKS BEATEN

The communiqué also reported that two Jewish attacks had been beaten off with heavy losses in central Palestine. The communiqué said "big enemy forces" escorted by armoured cars, had attacked Kneir and Kufur villages, west of Tulkarm, but had been forced to withdraw.

The Arab losses were put at one killed and four injured. Another Jewish attack was reported in the Kufusba area and was said to have been beaten off with

Italy's First President

Rome, May 11.—Signor Luigi Einaudi, Italy's 75-year-old Budget Director and an economic expert, was tonight elected first President of the Italian Republic. He was elected by a vote of 518 against 320 for Signor Vittorio Orlando, 87-year-old former Prime Minister. Blank votes numbered 28.

Signor Einaudi is one of Europe's best known economists and a prolific writer on economic matters. A Liberal, he was Vice-Premier and Finance Minister in the Cabinet of Signor Alcide de Gasperi.

The Popular Front and the Italian Social Movement supported Signor Orlando, "Father of the Constituent Assembly." The Popular Front opposition to Signor Einaudi was based on this famous economist's theories supporting private enterprise as opposed to State ownership.

These theories he has not hesitated to put into practice as far as possible as Italy's Budget Minister. He needed 451 votes, a simple majority on the fourth ballot, and earlier political circles said that he would probably not serve unless he got at least 20 to 30 votes more than the number required.

When the votes were counted, the President of the joint session of the Chamber and the Senate, Signor Giovanni Gronchi, declared: "I proclaim Signor Luigi Einaudi President of the Italian Republic."

The whole Chamber rose and applauded. Signor Einaudi, who is also Governor of the Bank of Italy, was absent from both today's ballots, and was informed of his election, for seven years, by a telephone call to his home.

Although both the extreme right and the extreme left voted for the veteran, Signor Orlando, they joined in the cheering when the result was announced. Signor Einaudi had already told the Premier, Signor de Gasperi, that he would accept the Presidency if elected, it was understood.—Reuter.

Police Grill Marketeers

Shanghai, May 12.—Five men, suspected of having conducted illegal transactions in Hongkong dollars, were transferred to the District Procureur yesterday after police grilling. It was learned.

They will be formally charged in court shortly.

Meanwhile, the China Press reports that C. Wang, Manager of the An Wan Company, one of the 26 organisations raided by detachments of the Economic Police last Friday, is still being detained by police authorities.

Wang's company is said to have maintained an extensive network allegedly dealing in unlawful money remittance. It is further alleged that the headquarters of the organisation is located in Hongkong, with branches extending to New York, London, Manila, Swatow and Canton.—Reuter.

Kidnap Chase In Austria

Vienna, May 11.—Soviet troops fired into the United States zone of Austria during a kidnap chase of two Austrian civilians, the American authorities disclosed today.

Military sources in Linz said the shooting took place when an Austrian policeman, Ferdinand Neubauer, 27, and his wife were abducted near the United States Danube River outpost at Wescenfer, 30 miles north-west of Linz.

The sources who said their account of the incident was accurate but declined to label it official, emphasised: "The Soviets did not fire at the American guard nor at the American guard post. It is thought they fired only to frighten the Austrians."

The authorities said that last Friday at noon the American guard saw two Austrians rowing across the river pursued by Soviet marines in another boat. As the Neubauers neared the American shore the Russians returned to their side of the river and began firing at the Austrians with rifles.

The Neubauers landed, showed their identity cards to the guard and asked for assistance. They were directed to the Austrian police station at Wescenfer.

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EDITORIAL

Flight Of Capital

SHANGHAI with its currency inflation, prices spiral and generally parlous economic situation, has no more genuine sympathiser than Hongkong, which watches with the liveliest interest the efforts of Shanghai's officials to obtain some order and stability out of this chaos. The Colony has, in fact, gone further and given practical assistance to China by concluding an anti-smuggling and Customs agreement the effects of which bring no advantages to Hongkong. It is now announced, firstly through a Nanking spokesman, and again yesterday through Mayor K. C. Wu of Shanghai that negotiations are being conducted with the Hongkong Government for conclusion of a currency pact to enforce effective control of Chinese currency in this Colony. It is to be noted that the Hongkong Government is completely unaware of any such negotiations, either contemplated or in progress; wherefore it would seem that Mayor Wu and Nanking officials are either flying a kite or are resorting to the desperate measure of saying anything so long as it helps to stifle criticism of their administration. Assuredly the Shanghai authorities have reason to feel alarmed at the increasing flight of capital to Hongkong, but that the Colony should be blamed for this movement strikes us as being somewhat incongruous. It is true that we enjoy financial and economic stability which naturally attracts businessmen and industrialists who find themselves in China struggling hopelessly with a disrupted economy and a virtually useless currency, but that is no reason why we should be penalised or expected to make sacrifices that will impair our own prosperity. It can be ad-

mitted that there is certain amount of idle capital which has come from Shanghai to Hongkong and which has slight inflationary tendencies. On the other hand much of the money which Shanghai industrialists are bringing here is being productively invested in factories and mills which can have nothing but a beneficial effect on our economy. Employment is created, consumer goods produced, and export trade increased. It would be folly for any Government to sacrifice such real wealth simply because a neighbouring city was unable to manage its affairs well enough to make it unnecessary for capital to escape elsewhere. It is possible that in due course overtures will be made to Hongkong to conclude an agreement designed to prevent further absorption of Chinese capital by the Colony; it is also possible that some sort of concession could be made without endangering our commercial and economic equilibrium. But any such agreement must carry quite precise conditions. The public would resent another one-sided pact where Hongkong concedes everything and receives nothing in return. If China desires us to impose restrictions on Chinese currency within Hongkong, we then have a right to expect some relaxing of the import restrictions inflicted by China on our traders. In half a dozen ways Hongkong has shown it is prepared to render practical assistance to China, but it cannot be expected indefinitely to make all the concessions without reciprocity. Mayor Wu and others have indicated what they expect from Hongkong; they are equally likely to receive a sympathetic hearing if they now indicate what they are willing to offer in return. On that basis negotiations are conceivable.

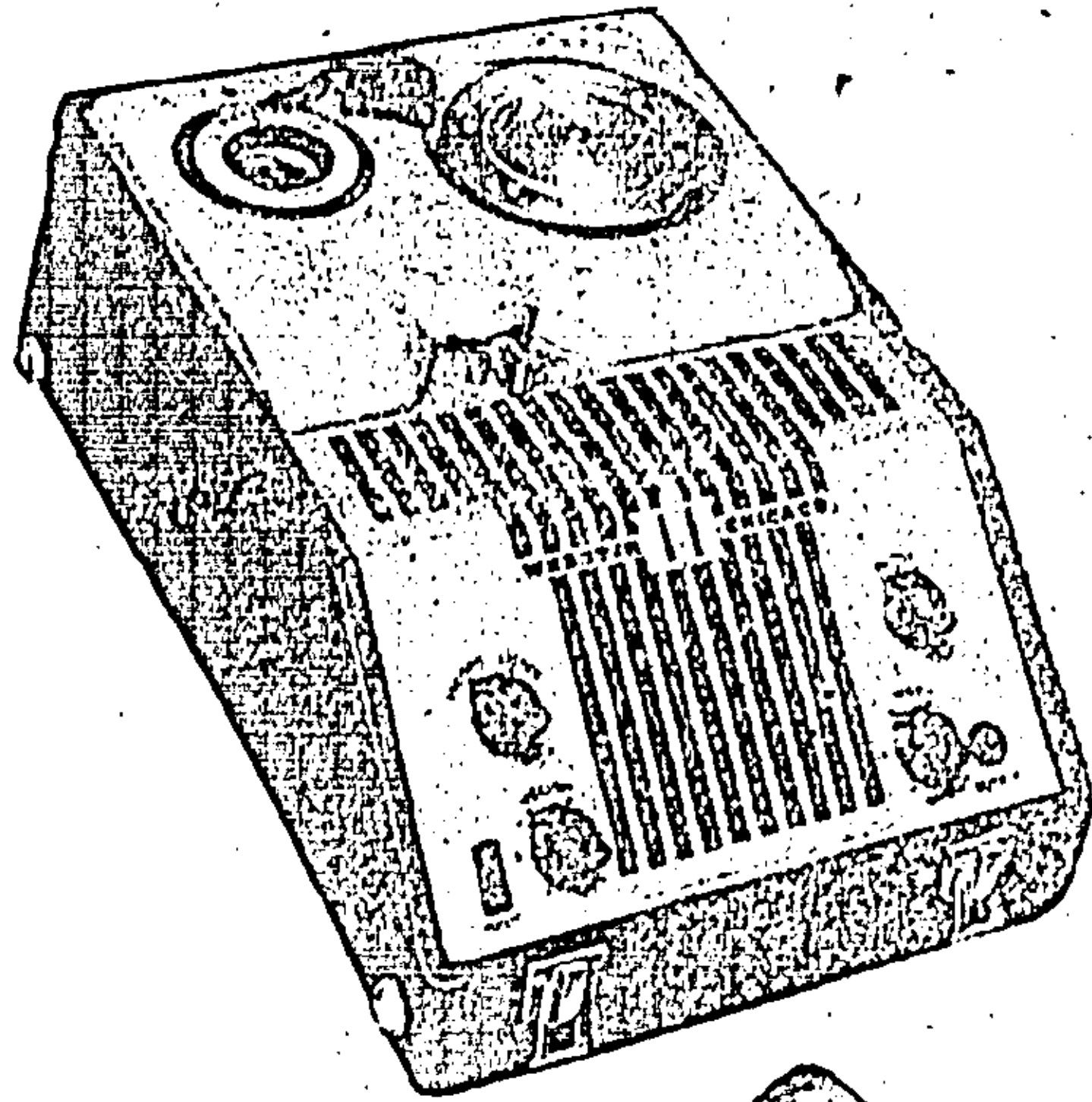
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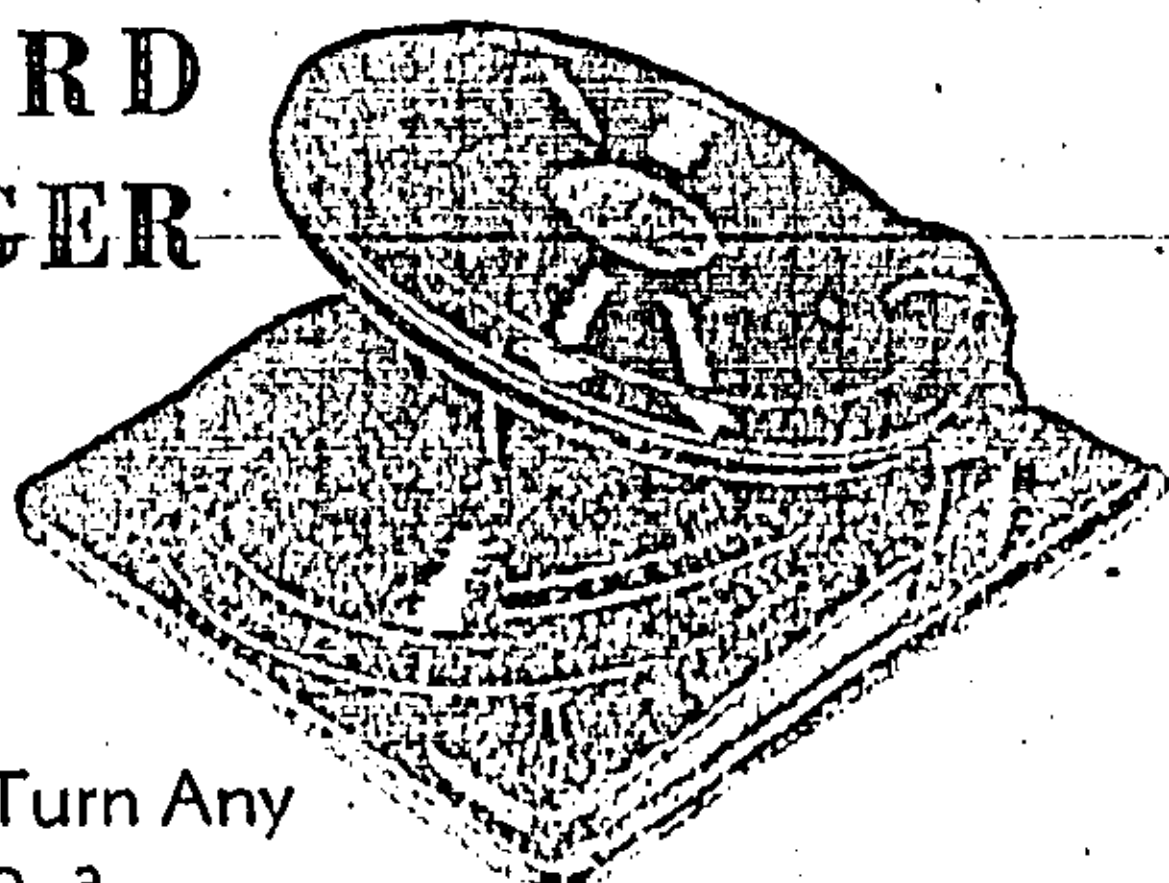
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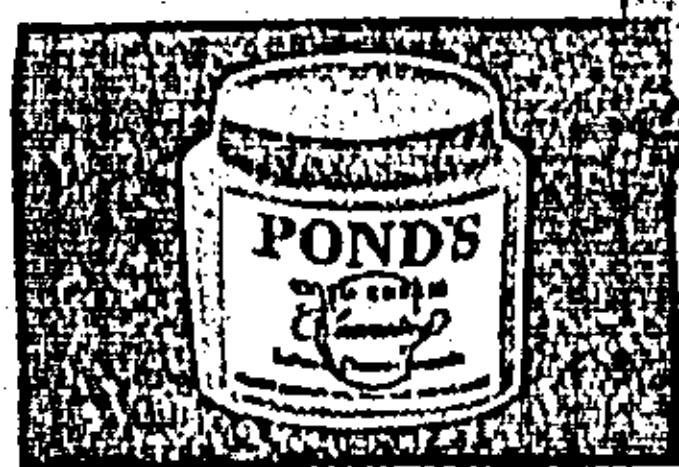
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Costume Complements



Accessories for the new clothes.

By GRACE THORNCLEIFFE

SHOWN HERE, culled from
current offerings, is a trio of at-
tractive dress complements. White
straw is used for the perky little
sailor trimmed with a demure
black velvet crown band and pink
roses at either side. You can't go
wrong on this choice. The belt is
of black leather and has double
gilt metal buckles and gilt tabs
marking the ends. A high back
marks the dress-up pump of fine
black suede, its scalloped line ac-
cented by narrow gunmetal piping.

BUSTLE IS BACK



Regency stripes form the
bustle back of this long-sleeved
jersey and black taffeta dinner
dress by Joy Ricardo.

ODD FACTS

ARRESTED for shoplifting, a
Bloomfield, N. J., boy confessed
that he had been returning all ar-
ticles stolen to the store and getting
cash refunds, a racket he had
worked 25 times in a single month.

Pinned against the ground in a
wrestling bout, a New York City
youth felt something press against
his shoulder which turned out to be
a US\$350 diamond ring.

A five-year-old girl in Portland,
Oregon, received 16 bicycles as a
birthday gift when through an error
the firm which had taken the
order for one bicycle dispatched
one case of them.

SOME LEFT-OVER HAM RECIPES

THE Chef invited me into
the testing-kitchen with a
flourish.

"Step this way, if you please
Madame. I have some dishes
for your approval; they are
made up of the left over ham."

"This salad looks interest-
ing," I said. "What's in it?"

"I used 3 c. diced warm
potato mixed with a little
grated onion, about a half c.
of minced left over ham, and a
little French mustard dressing.
I chilled, then stirred in some
sliced red radishes and salad
dressing; and here it is on
lettuce with the radish rose for
a garnish."

Nippy Flavour

"It looks lovely, Chef! The rad-
ishes give a nice nippy flavour, too.
You could use that for a luncheon
or an appetizer salad."

"Exactly, Madame.
And here is a sandwich,
spread with minced ham
and mustard, which I
made into French
toast."

"You mean you dipped the ham sandwich
in egg and milk as you
do for French toast, and
then fried it?"
"Oui, Madame—very
nice for breakfast or
lunch, or with a main
dinner course of vege-
tables."
"You mean you dipped the ham sandwich
in egg and milk as you
do for French toast, and
then fried it?"

"I'm glad you kept that in mind
Chef. I added, sampling a French
toasted ham sandwich. "I think
you've turned out some excellent
dishes with left over ham."

"But here, Madame, are two
soups, also from left over ham."
"I see. One is a thick navy bean
soup. I bet it's made with the ham
bone."
"You guessed it," said the Chef.
"And I left in some of the whole
beans. I think it is more pleasing
to the men."

"This second soup looks like a
vegetable stew," I said. "But what's
in the dumplings?"

Minced Onion

"I just added a little minced fried
onion and 1/2 c. minced ham to the
soup when I made them—you like
that?"

"I certainly do," I said frankly,
smacking my lips. "That's a great
way to use up a few ham scraps,
and it makes the vegetable stew
taste much more substantial."

"Ah, but wait till you taste the
ham, macaroni and cheese casserole
which is baking in the oven."

"Judging from these samples,
Chef, I just know it's going to be
delicious. Let's suggest it to our
friends for their dinner of to-
morrow."

DINNER

Curried Vegetable Salad
Buttered Dark Bread
Ham, Macaroni and Cheese
Casserole
Stewed New Cabbage with Tomato
Banana Coconut Custard
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Curried Vegetable Salad

Use 1 can well drained mixed
vegetables, (or 2 c. mixed left over
cooked vegetables) combine with
1/2 c. diced celery, and 1/2 a firm to-
mato cut in dice. Add 2 tbsp. French
dressing and chill thoroughly. Then
with a fork lightly stir in 1/4 c.
mayonnaise seasoned with 1/3 tsp.
turkey powder. Arrange in nests of
lettuce and garnish each salad with
half slices of tomato cut from the
unused half.

Ham, Macaroni and Cheese Casserole

This dish calls for three major
ingredients: From 1 to 2 c. fine-cut
left over cooked ham, according to
the amount on hand; 1/2 lb. short
broken pieces macaroni, boiled as
usual in salted water to cover, then
well drained; and 2 1/2 c. cheese
sauce. Put the casserole together as
follows: Combine the cooked mac-
aroni and cheese sauce. Arrange in

layers with the ham in a 3 pt.-sized
baking dish or casserole. Cover with
1/2 c. fine dry bread crumbs mixed
with 2 tbsp. butter or margarine and
2 extra tbsp. grated cheese. Bake in
a moderate oven, 350 F., until well
browned. If desired, this dish may
be prepared ahead of time, and
heated and browned 30 min. before
serving.

Cheese Sauce. Coarsely-grate, (put
through the food chopper) 1/2 lb.
sharp American cheese that is not
very dry. Add 1/2 tsp. dry mustard,
1/2 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. pepper, 1/2 tsp.
paprika, 2 tbsp. butter or margarine
and 3 tbsp. flour. Mix thorough-
ly. Gradually stir in 2 c. heated
whole milk or use reconstituted dry
skim milk. Cook and stir until boil-
ing point is reached.

Stewed Cabbage with Tomato

Choose a crisp 2 lb. head of
cabbage. Cut the cabbage into 8
wedge-shaped pieces. Cut out the
core, or hard centre. Rinse with cold
water. Place in a good-sized sauce-
pan. Next, stir 1 c. juicy canned
tomatoes into small pieces; add 1 tsp.
fine-minced onion, and add 1/2 tsp.
salt and 1/2 tsp. pepper. Pour over
the cabbage. Dot with 1 tsp. butter
or margarine cut in small pieces.
Cover closely and sim-
mer until the cabbage
is crisp-tender, about 25
min. Or pressure cook
5 min. at 15 lb.

Banana Coconut Custard

Prepare 1/2 pt. plain
soft custard, or make up
1 package vanilla pud-
ding powder, according
to the directions on the
package, but using an
extra half c. of milk.
Then chill. In deep
sauce dishes slice 1/2 a
banana for each person to be served.
Top with the custard, then with more
banana. Sprinkle with 1 tsp.
shredded coconut to each dish. Ser-
ve at once.

TRICK OF THE CHEF

To give a different flavour to new
cabbage cooked with tomato, grate
over a little whole allspice, which
you can keep ready to use in an
extra pepper grinder.

Your Arms Need Beauty Care



A special type of hair-removing glove is a quick and gentle way
to rid the arms of excess hair.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WHAT about your arms,
Lady?

A pretty arm is a grand good
looks asset. But one must re-
member that arms have their
own beauty sorrows—an over-
abundance of adipose tissues, or
sharp elbows, redness, goose
flesh, freckles or awkwardness
of movement. Arms never
have a chance when cosmetics
are being passed around, yet
they respond quickly to a little
care and attention.

The first need is sound mus-
culature that keeps fat cells at
a distance and creates grace,
flexibility, desirable propor-
tions.

To improve the surface of
the skin, make it white and
velvet-smooth, beauty shops
offer a delightful treatment.
You might try one some day
when you are getting a manic-
ure or do it at home.

Give the hands and arms a
vigorous scouring with warm

soap suds and a brush. Rinse,
dry and apply a heavy emollient
that offers resistance to fric-
tion.

Stroke from wrist to shoulders
with flattened fingers, up and down,
up and down. Use the same motion
for the backs of the hand. Made a
bracelet of thumb and fingers, clap
them around the other arm, doing
circles, working again from wrist
to shoulder.

While the cream is still on,
sprinkle almond meal over the arms.
Or, if almond meal is not on hand,
use tatted talcum. A paste will
be formed. Let it remain on for
fifteen or twenty minutes. Wring
large towels out of steaming
hot water, wrap around the arms.
Repeat several times.

Dead skin scales will be removed.
This treatment has a mild bleach-
ing effect in case the skin looks
dingy. Remove the pick with a
moist towel, dry, then give your-
self a brisk friction with eau de
cologne.

Well-groomed arms are just as
important as well-groomed legs. For
quick clean hair removal use a
special hair-removing glove.

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Chirpie Had a Head Cold

—He Got It From Trying to be a Duck—

By MAX TRELL

"GOOD morning! How are you
feeling today, Chirpie?"
Hearing a voice, Chirpie Sparrow,
poked his head out from under his
wing and saw it was Knarf, the
shadow-boy with the turned-around
name. Chirpie said: "Oh-hh. I feel
awful!" Then he pushed his head
back under his wing again.
Chirpie was standing on a loose
board just under the edge of the
roof. Knarf climbed up to him.
"Here," he said, giving Chirpie a bit
of a nudge. "Take your head out and
tell me what the matter with you?
Are you sick?"

"Muffled Voice"
"Yes. Go away!" Chirpie answered
in a muffled voice from under his
wings. "Don't bother me..."

But Knarf said: "If you're sick,
you have to be bothered. I'm not
going away until I find out what's
the matter with you!"

Presently Chirpie put his head out
far enough for one eye to show. "I'm
a very foolish, stupid, absurd and
ridiculous sparrow. Everything that
happened was all my own fault."

"What happened?"
"I fell in the pond. I mean I took a
swim in the pond."

"You took a swim in the pond?"
Knarf exclaimed. "But the pond is
ice cold. No birds take a swim in
the pond at this time of the year!"

"The ducks do," said Chirpie.
"But you're not a duck!"

"Caught a Chill"
"I thought I was as good as one,"
groaned Chirpie. "That's why I'm
sick. I caught a chill. I'm a very
foolish, stu—"

Knarf interrupted to ask sharply
what happened.

"I was hungry," said Chirpie.
"You can't blame me for that."

"No," said Knarf.
"I looked all over for food. I
couldn't find any. Then I saw the
ducks. They were marching one by
one, down to the pond."

"So?"
"So I asked them what they were
going to do down at the pond in this
cold weather? And they said they
were going in for a swim. But they
said it wasn't just for the swim.
There was more to it than that. They
said the bottom of the pond was



"We're going to the pond to get our
dinner," the duck told Chirpie.

covered with food. In other words,
they were going down to the pond
to get their dinner. And dinner,"
said Chirpie, "was what I wanted
most."

"So I said to myself—If a duck
can find food at the bottom of the
pond, why can't I? A duck is a bird,
and so is a sparrow. What a duck
can do, a sparrow can do! At least,"
said Chirpie sadly, "that's what I
thought."

"So you flew down to the pond?"
said Knarf.

"Like a Duck"
"No, I waddled down to the pond.
Like a duck. When I reached the edge
of the pond, I quacked, like a duck.
Just like a duck."

"And did you paddle on the top,
like a duck?" said Knarf eagerly.

Chirpie Sparrow shivered. "No, I
sank to the bottom, like a stone."

"Oh my!"
"And the worst of it was, I didn't
find any food. I got myself wet from
top to toe, and got no dinner besides.
All I got was a terrible chill..."

Knarf felt very sorry for Chirpie
Sparrow. He went back to the house
and got a woolen glove for Chirpie
to pull over his head, and a bottle of
hot water for him to rest against
and get warm, and six bread crumbs
from the kitchen table to keep him
from being hungry. And the next
day Chirpie was well again...but
he wouldn't go near the ducks.

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TRICKY QUESTIONS

Here are some difficult questions,
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before looking for the answers.

1. To operate a balloon would
you use a rip cord or a riprap?
2. If you are fagged out are you
fagacious or fatigued?
3. Does "impertune" mean
"pompous" or "to impel"?
4. Is the word "pomace" asso-
ciated with cider-making or card
playing?
5. What have these three words
in common: Dragoon, templar, pike-
man?
6. Is a tureen an animal, a soup-
dish or a kind of metal?
7. If a lady finger is a dainty
cake, what is a lady-kin?
8. If "paltry" is pitiful, what is
peltry?
9. Would you listen to these,
cock them, or smell them: Glock-
enspiel, sackbut, sistrum?
10. Would you look for a Swazi
in England, South Africa or France?

ANSWERS

1. A rip cord. 2. Fatigued. 3. Im-
pertune means to annoy or annoy-
ing. 4. Pomace is the residue left
after the juice has been pressed
out of apples. 5. Dragoon, tem-
plar, pike-man are all types of
soldiers. 6. A tureen is a large
dish for soup. 7. A lady-kin is
a lady's maid. 8. Peltry is fur.
9. A Glocksenspiel is a small
musical instrument. A sackbut is
an old type of trumpet. A sistrum
is a small musical instrument.
10. A Swazi is a native of South
Africa.

Rupert helps Dr. Lion—35



Inside the doorway Rupert finds
himself being led up a flight of
rough steps, and to his amazement
the passage is not dark although
he can see no light anywhere.
"This is all very marvelous!" he
says, "but why are we here? Are
you really going to make the sun
shine for Dr. Lion?" "No one
on earth could make the sun shine,"
replies the Wise Old Goat. "But I
am going to get him some sun-
shine!" "But, please, what's the
difference?" cries Rupert, very
bewildered.

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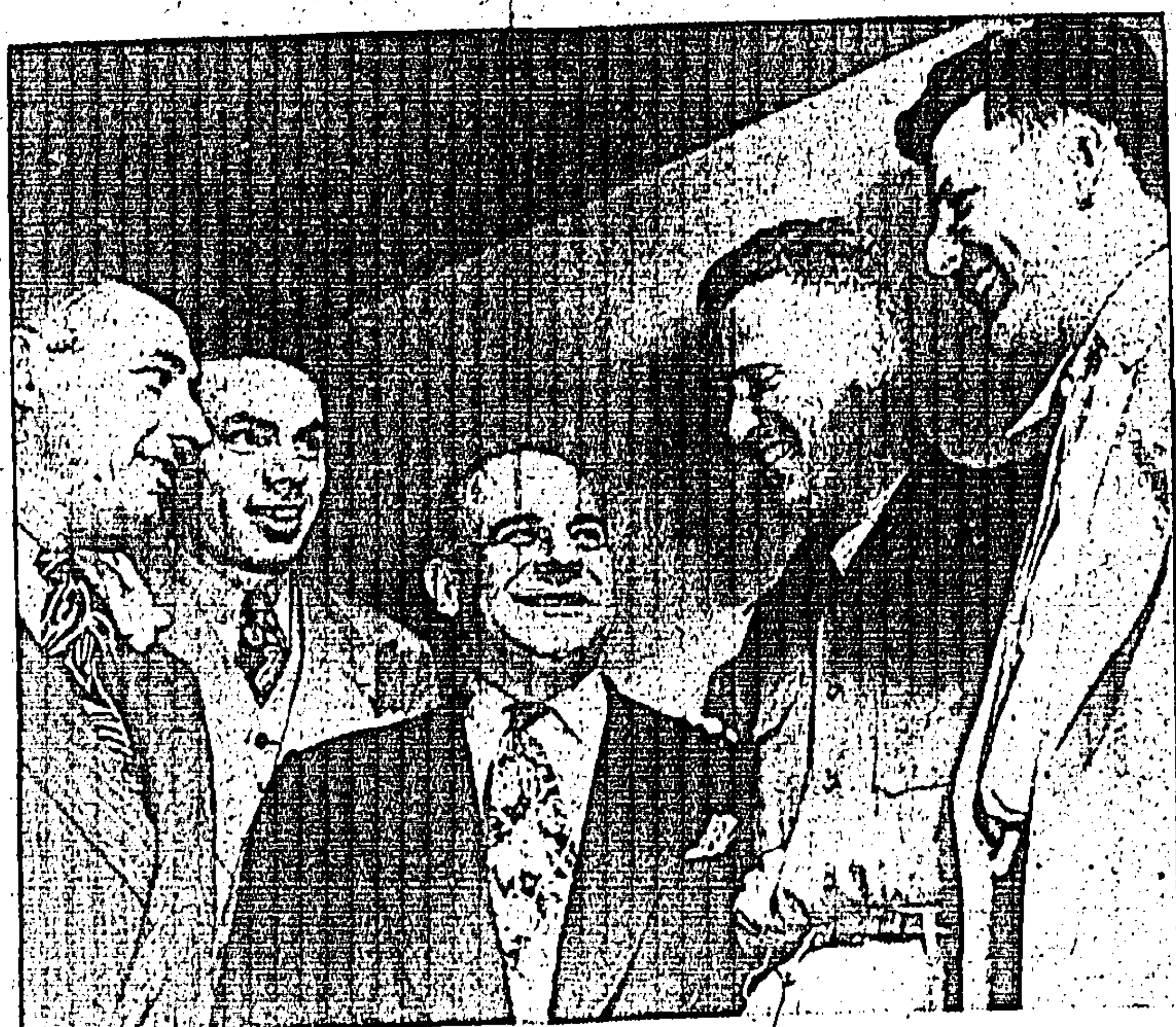
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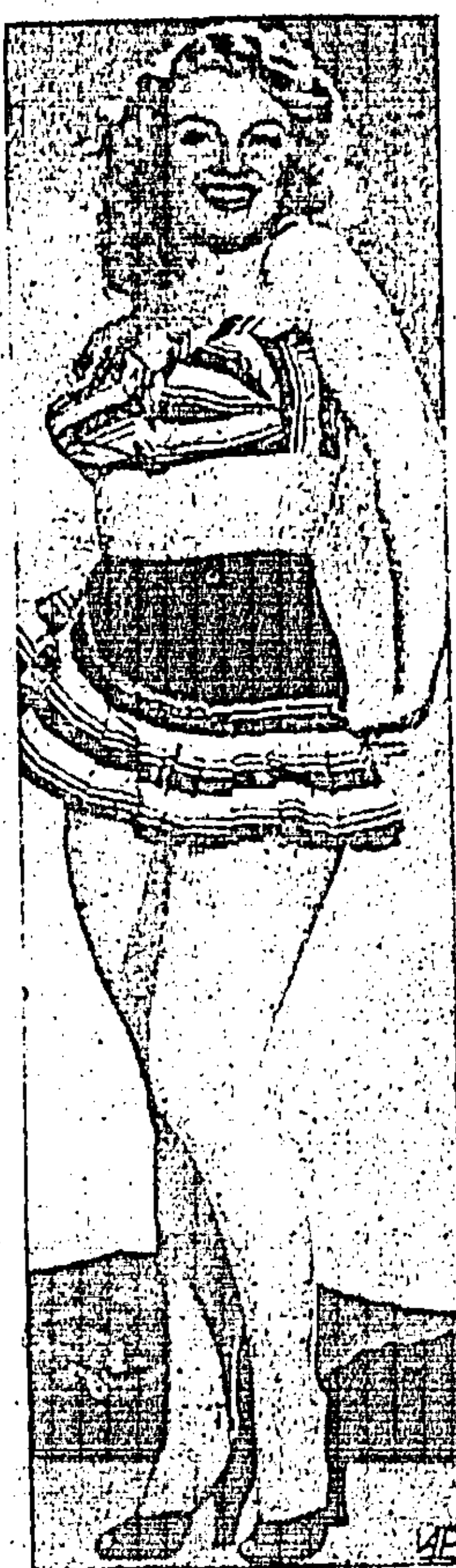
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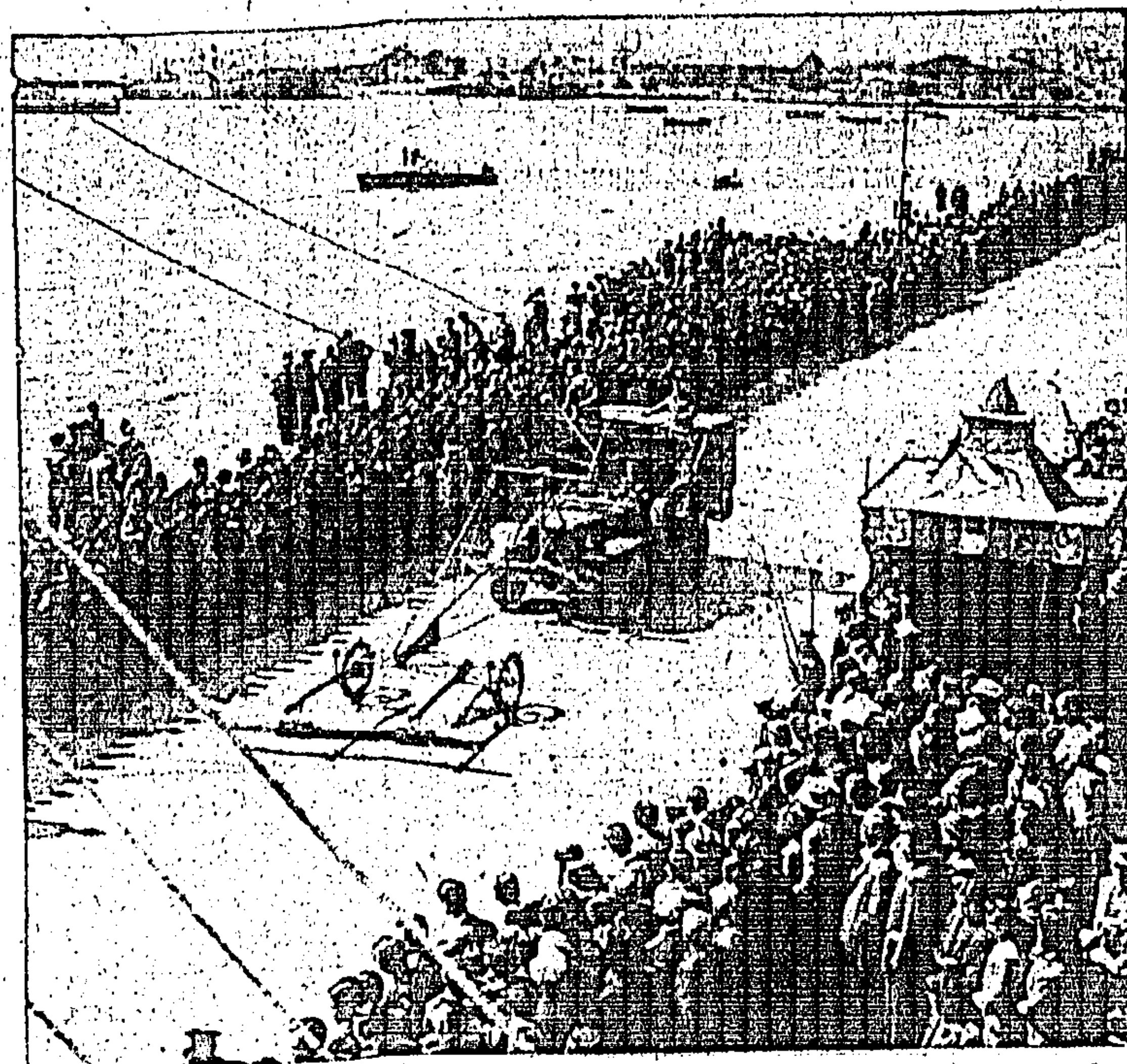
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



TOKYO'S RAIDERS WELCOME CHIEF—Gen. James Doolittle greets raiders at the group's sixth anniversary of the blasting of Tokyo in Minneapolis. Left to right, Lt. Fred Braemer, Capt. George Barr, Maj. Howard Sessler and Sgt. Robert C. Bougeois.



MODEL—Marilyn Monroe, a New York photographer's model, looks happy after signing a motion picture contract.



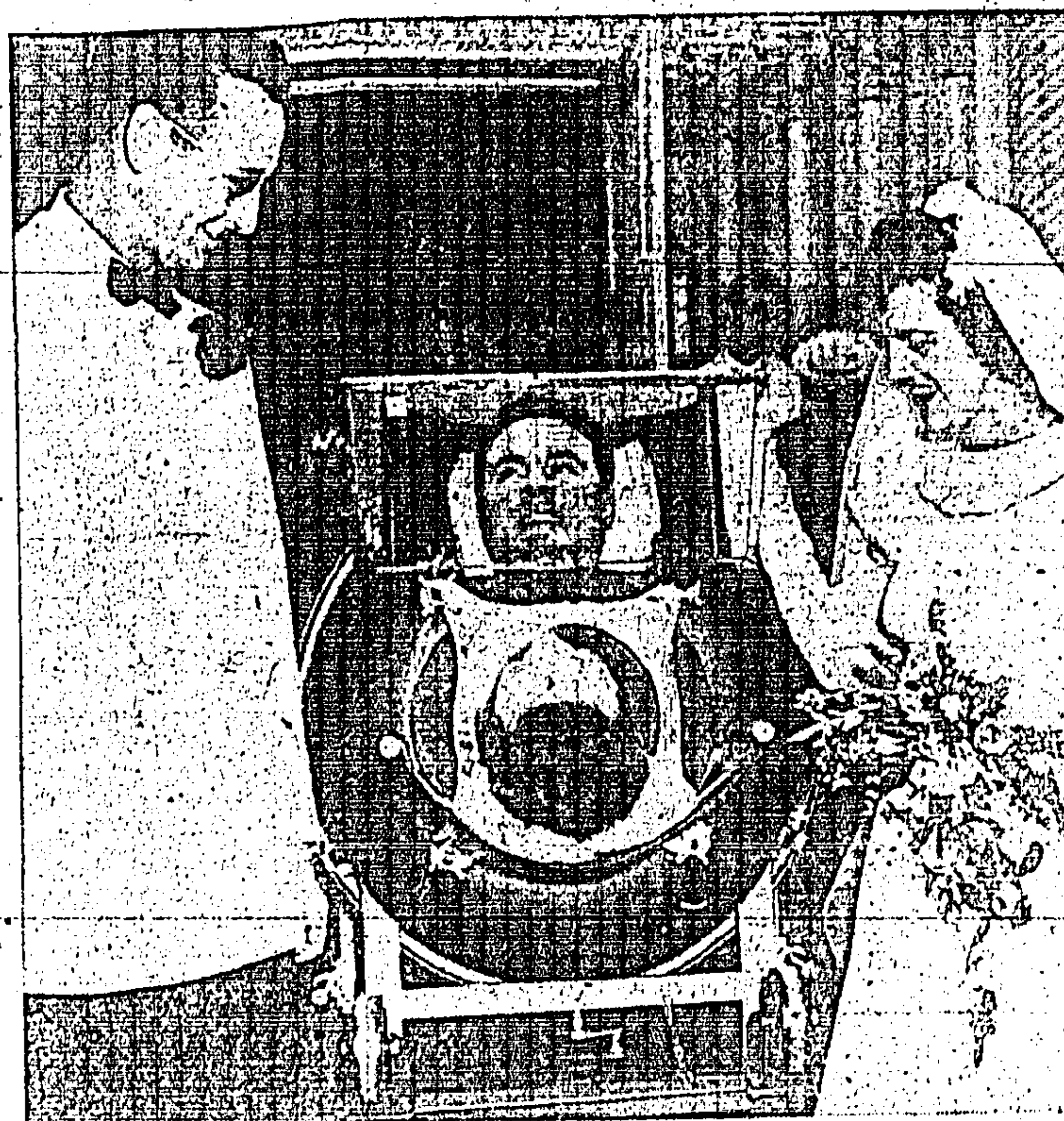
GREECE'S NEW MINE SWEEPER—During Greek Independence Day on Salonika's waterfront, the Greek Army displayed this new land mine detector, now in use in the mountain fighting against guerrillas.



ANTI-RED KOREANS DEMONSTRATE IN TOKYO—British and American flags are carried by anti-Communist Koreans as they parade in Tokyo. They protested against the puppet government set up in North Korea by the Russians.



REPLACES BRIDGES—Tim Flynn was named to succeed Harry Bridges as Northern California C.I.O. organizer. Bridges was removed because he is supporting Henry Wallace for President of the U.S.



PROUD PATIENT—Fred S. Snite, Jr., who has been confined to an iron lung for many years, gives away his nurse, the former Rosalie Cecil, in marriage to Richard W. Sloan, an airline flight engineer. The ceremony was conducted at St. Patrick's Church, Miami Beach.

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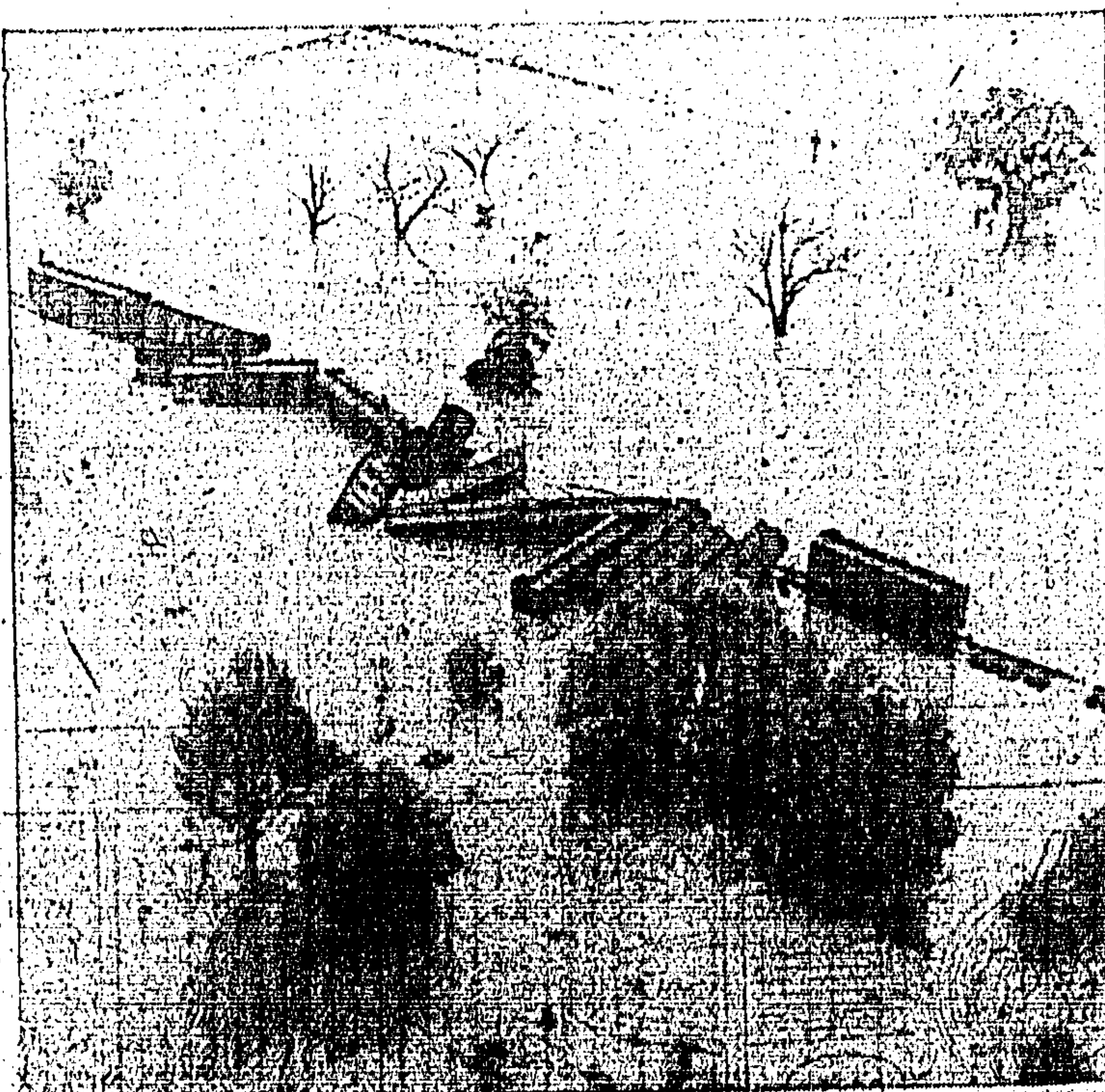
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WASHED OUT—More than a dozen cars of a 50-car freight train lie sprayed across the right-of-way, half-covered by water, near Donelsonville, Georgia, after torrential rains washed out the main tracks. The floods were caused by freak storms.

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SEARCH FOR THE PERFECT STEAK

By John Rosenburg

MAURICE Dreicer, known to hundreds of American restaurant men as "Crown Prince of the Sirloin," admits failure in his five-year search for the perfect steak.

It gets downright discouraging," he said ruefully, as he polished off his specialty in a New York hotel.

Take what happened last year.

"The Mayor of New Orleans sends me a wire: 'In your search for the perfect steak come to New Orleans. We have it.'"

"But," Dreicer said gloomily, "I couldn't call what they offered the 'perfect steak'."

"Not even," he added, "after they had given me the key to the city."

MANY TESTS MADE

Dreicer, who has two local radio programmes, lectures and teaches speech, said he tested steaks from Antoine's in New Orleans to the Whirlpool in Niagara Falls and from Loch Ober's in Boston to Harvey's in Chicago and the Ambassador on the Gold Coast.

"All good and some excellent," he said. "But none perfect."

"To be perfect," Dreicer added dreamily, "the steak must follow certain standards."

(1) The steak must come from a steer. (Preferably a four-year-old).

(2) Aging should last from six to eight weeks.

(3) Before cooking, the steak should be kept at room temperature for two hours.

(4) The steak should be cooked over a charcoal fire—scared first, then cooked three inches from the flame for three or four minutes on each side.

"So it's rare—not raw," Dreicer said.

WANTS HEATED PLATTERS

Dreicer insists that steaks be served on pre-heated oak platters. He contends that oak holds the heat better than porcelain.

Once served, the steak undergoes the "Dreicer Test."

Under operation No. 1, the meat has its temperature taken.

"It's got to be just 120 degrees," Dreicer said. His tone implied that any more or less would rate a fat zero for the house.

After laying the thermometer aside, Dreicer whips out a magnifying glass with a tiny flashlight attached and examines the sirloin's fissures.

If there's any sign of fat, he leaves the table.

A silver butter knife climaxes the test.

"If it slides through without too much pressure, the steak's okay," Dreicer said.

GIVES CHEFS AWARDS

Dreicer said that whenever he finds a steak that rates "excellent," he awards the chef a silver butter knife. With appropriate inscriptions attached, of course.

"As a matter of fact," he said, you are about to witness an unusual event. I've just had my 23rd 'excellent' steak and I'm going to give the chef the 'Dreicer Award'."

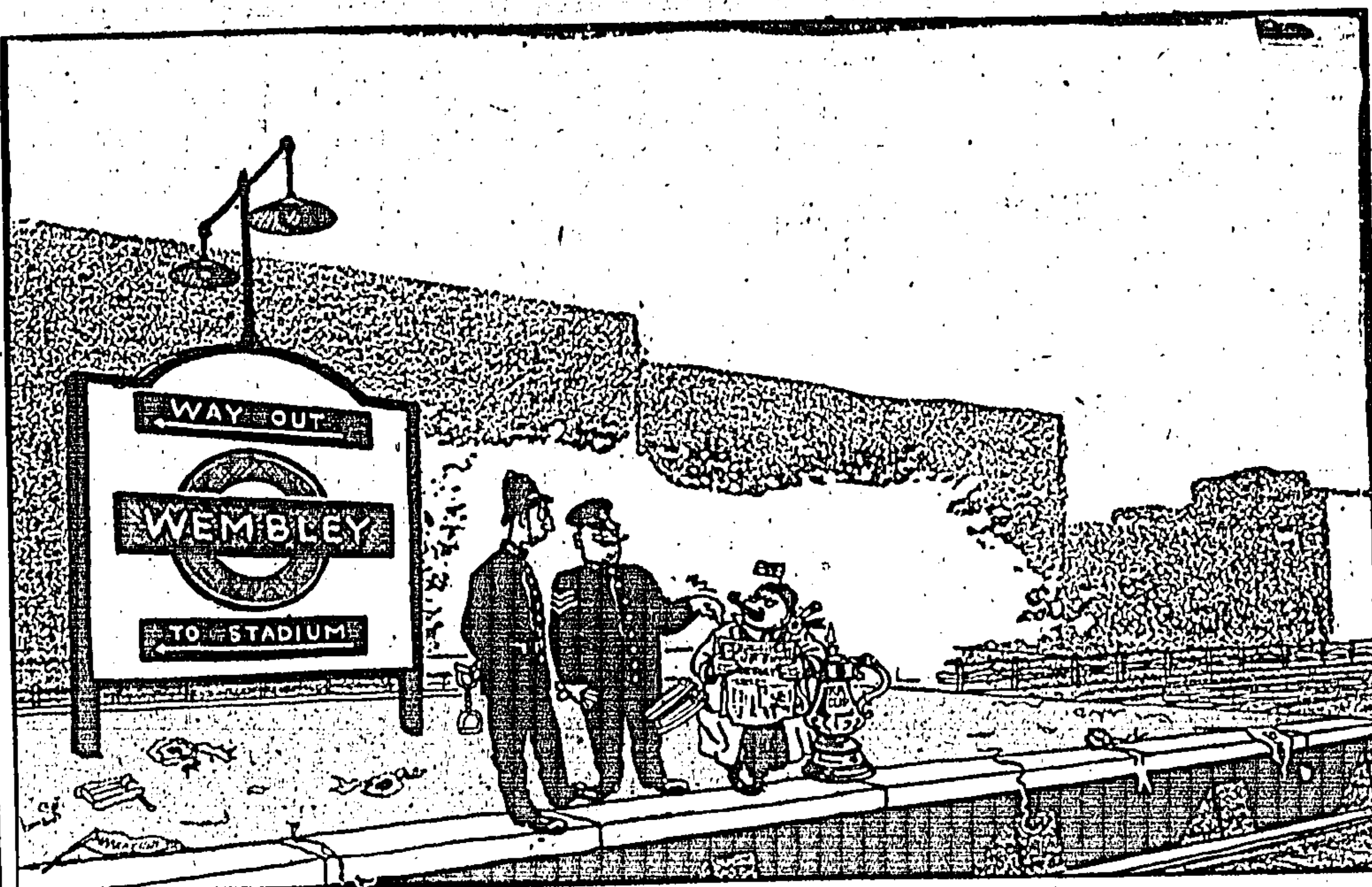
With a flourish of a pudgy hand, he called the waiter.

"Send in the chef please," he said.

When the chef arrived, Dreicer said proudly: "You are the recipient of the 23rd 'Dreicer Excellent Steak Award'."

The chef look puzzled, accepted the silver butter knife, murmured, "Thank you, sir," and departed.

"I do not understand. The steaks I cook them all the same."—United Press.



"Excuse us just a moment, sir."

Every Wednesday in the Telegraph:

Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

HERE'S one in the eye for the Soviet Information Bureau.

Stung by American accusations of perfidy, the enraged moujiks have lashed out at all the wrong people.

In the schoolgirl game of "You're Another," names of perfectly innocent men have been mentioned as separate peace makers and secret negotiators with Adolf Hitler, Hermann Goering, and most of the other apes in the Nazi Zoo, when all the time it was—guess who?

Yes, you're quite right. It was your Uncle Nat.

For the first time the amazing adventures of this counter-espionage expert posing as a back columnist are told below.

It was in May 1940, after the fall of France, that I was first approached by two men wearing obviously false beards who said they were from the Foreign Office.

Pulling off their beards, I said: "Don't try to fool an ex-newspaper reporter, Captain-General-Lance-Corporal von Stinken-trouser and Herr Doktor von Schmellingpantz. Remember I am a 'trained observer'."

They were amazed and asked me how I knew.

I told them that as it was a hot summer the sun was melting the glue on their beards; also that Foreign Office officials didn't usually have heads as square as a lump of sugar and talk like German spies in a third-rate melodrama.

"But our names?" asked the wooden-headed Heinles. "How vos it dot you our names know?"

I told them all German names sounded the same to me. You just said "Von," cleared your throat and blew your nose and you'd got it.

They then asked me if I would become a German spy for £100,000. I said certainly, and took the money at once. Later I spent most of it in London pubs trying to be brave during air raids.

In the spring of 1941 Stinken-trouser asked me if I had found out anything. I said "No." What did he want to know, anyway?

He said that Hitler was very worried about the Home Guard, especially as the fool had heard that I was in it. Could I find out the strength of the Home Guard, the type of weapons it used and the state of its morale?

I said: "How much if I bring it off?" He said: "A million." I said: "O.K." and felt I could afford to buy him another beer, though I hoped it would choke him.

Within the hour I was taken by Schmellingpantz to a secret airfield, put in a secret aircraft for Ger-

I said I could for another £100,000, which he handed over immediately. I spent most of this buying drinks for the Home Guard.

Military secrets

WHEN I met Stinken-trouser a week later I told him all I knew.

I said that so far as our local platoon was concerned we were about 15 strong in May 1940, armed with a rifle each and ten rounds of ammunition.

We were now about 50 strong and since May had used a lot of things besides rifles. We had terrified the local inhabitants by throwing bottles full of blazing oil about, and we were the only troops in the world who could handle live hand grenades with a hangover and still live.

I said we also had tommy guns, and since I had pinched 30 rounds of ammunition for mine there was a lot of anxiety in the neighbourhood.

Then he asked me about H.G. morale, and I said it was terrific.

I told him we were the most bloodthirsty troops in the country. Most of us carried either knives or revolvers about as well as rifles, and as many of us were plastered by ten o'clock at night we were something to be reckoned with.

He said he would send a secret report to Hitler, and handed me another £100,000 to get more information.

In Berlin

WHEN I next met Stinken-trouser he was getting short of money, so I had to buy him a beer.

He said Schmellingpantz had just crossed from Germany in a U-boat with the news that Hitler wanted to see me about arranging a separate peace.

The report he had sent in about the Home Guard had brought this about.

I said: "How much if I bring it off?" He said: "A million." I said: "O.K." and felt I could afford to buy him another beer, though I hoped it would choke him.

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that they wanted to know who the hell I was.

Schmellingpantz then told me I was a field-marshal in the British Home Guard.

They both stood up and saluted and I told Corporal Hitler not to salute with his hat off, keep his hands out of his pockets, and generally smarten himself up. Luckily he didn't understand what I said.

Then Hitler yelled at poor old Schmellingpantz again; the translation being that he had heard so much of the ferocity of the Home Guard that he had decided not to invade England.

If I would disband the Home Guard he would sign a separate peace. He would then be free to attack Russia in full strength and wipe them out in three weeks.

I replied that so far I had only been offered a million for the job. For two million he could wipe out anybody and as many people as he liked so far as I was concerned.

He said he would make it three million, with a million on account.

I agreed, took the million, and after a rug and a rock cake all round I left for England.

But when I got home I was so busy spending this million with the Home Guard in the golf club and the local that I forgot to disband them.

Well, that, moujiks, is the full story of perfidious Albion during the war. For a couple of devalued roubles and a bottle of vodka you can publish it anywhere you like.

ROCKETING TO THE MOON—

ROCKET men believe they know enough right now to shoot a missile as far as the moon.

But, as an official of the U.S. National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics puts it:

"Nobody can think of any good reason for wanting to do it." "It would be interesting, all right," he said, "but it would cost a lot of money, take a lot of time, and use up a lot of time that might be better spent."

Among the big difficulties would be power and control. To escape the earth's gravitational pull, a rocket would have to lift 25,000 miles an hour.

The best rocket speed yet attained in tests is 3,600 miles an hour. A captured German V-2 went that fast at White Sands, last year.

It went 11½ miles almost straight up and then fell back to earth. An escape rocket, if it missed the moon, would keep going until it was captured by the gravitational field of some other planet.

Or, if its velocity was not quite enough to kick it entirely free of the earth's pull, it would become a satellite, endlessly following an elliptical orbit around this planet.

To hit the moon, a rocket using the best fuels now available would have to pack something like five or more powerful punches.

Practical, But Where Is The Point In It?

With several fuel chambers, one firing immediately after another, the rocket probably could achieve the constant acceleration necessary to boost it to the moon if the chambers were dropped off after exhaustion.

But what was left of the rocket after losing its weight of fuel and fuel chambers would be very little. The ratio of gross weight to payload is about 1,000 to one. If the rocket weighed 1,000 pounds at the start, it would weigh only one pound at the end of its journey.

One theoretical design calls for a five-step rocket weighing about 400 tons with an initial thrust of 3,000,000 pounds. The 14-ton V-2 develops an initial thrust of only 65,000 to 60,000 pounds.

Control difficulties are, if anything, tougher than power problems. To hit the moon, the rocket's path would have to intersect the satellite's orbit.

"In other words," the NACA man said, "you'd shoot the rocket out into space and let the moon catch up with it."

That would take some fancy calculating and aiming. To control the rocket's course it would be necessary to trace it with radar and to engrave its steering mechanism via radio.

U.S. Army Signal Corps engineers have bounced radar pulses off the moon, so it is just a matter of ultra-high frequency micro-waves can be projected for into space.

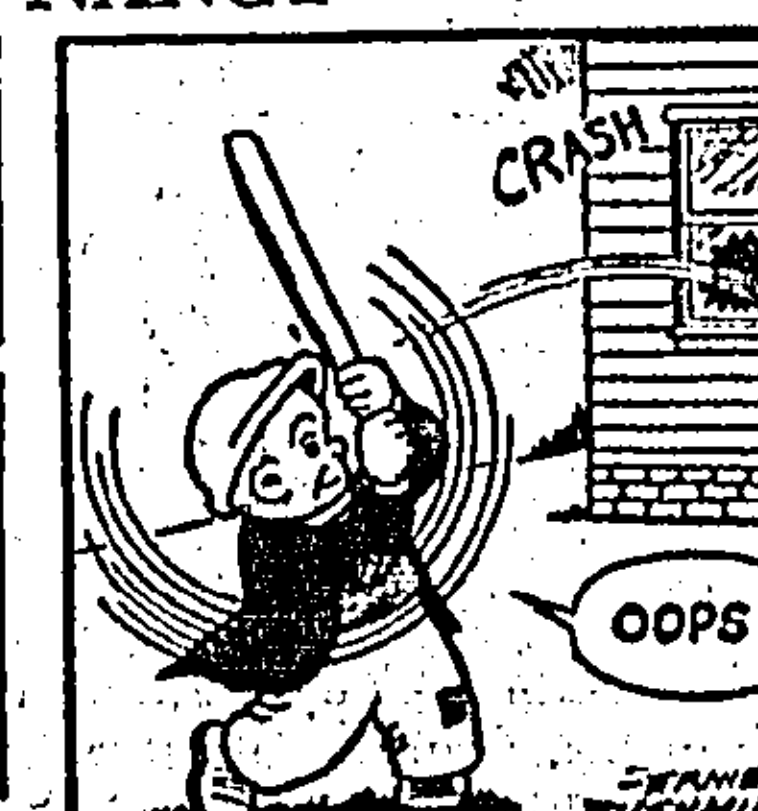
But the manifold problems of navigation, instrumentation, and control are a long way from being solved. There are other difficulties, too. Such as the fact—arrived at mathematically—that rocket noses would tend to melt off at the speeds required.

Much has been written about missiles of the future that will fly continuously around the earth—until told via radio to descend on their target—and of rocket ships playing inter-planetary space.

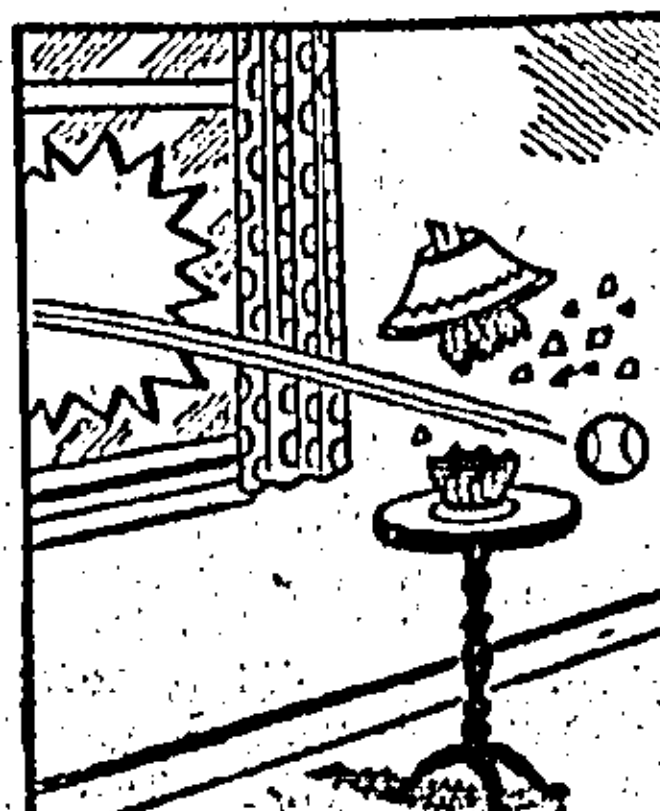
Rocket men are inclined to compare such talk with the kind they heard during the "atomic silly season" just after the bombing of Hiroshima. They remember the stories they heard about driving aeroplanes with bits of uranium the size of aspirin tablets.

JOSEPH MYLER

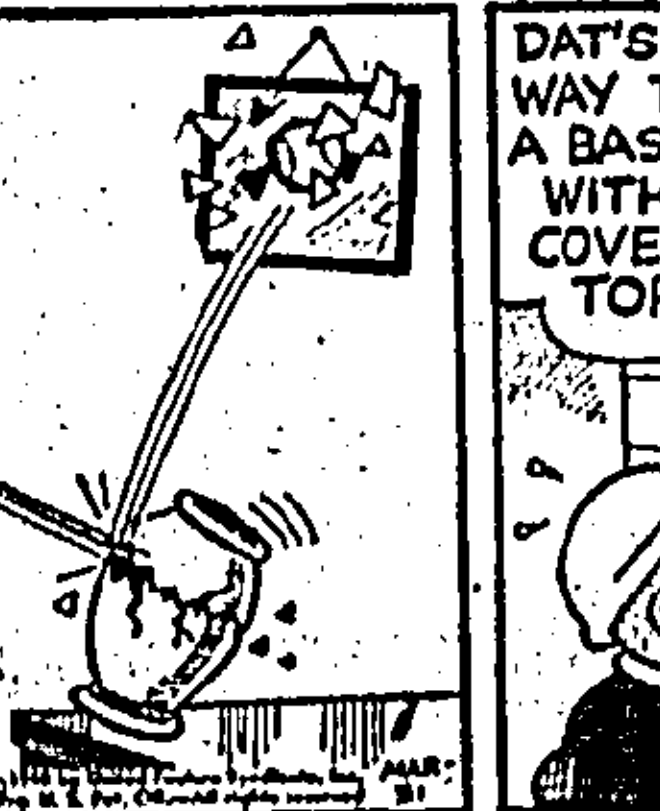
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By Ernie Bushmiller

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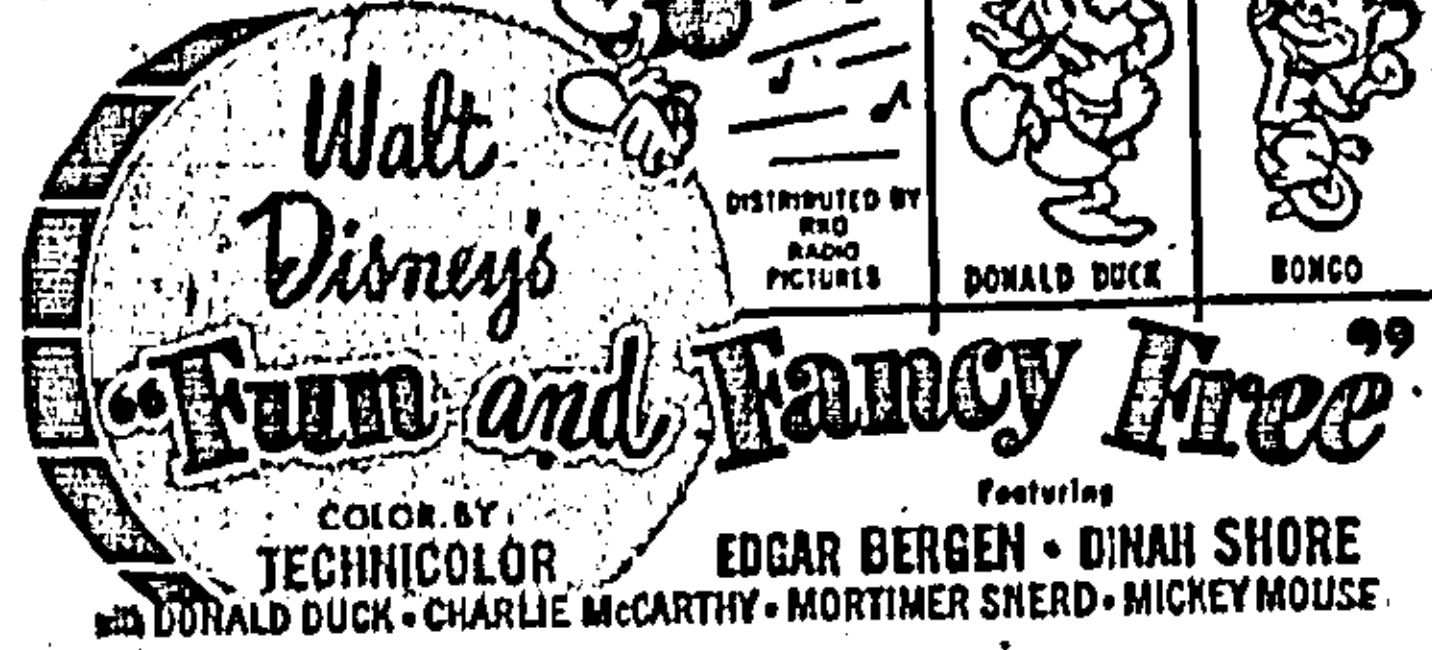
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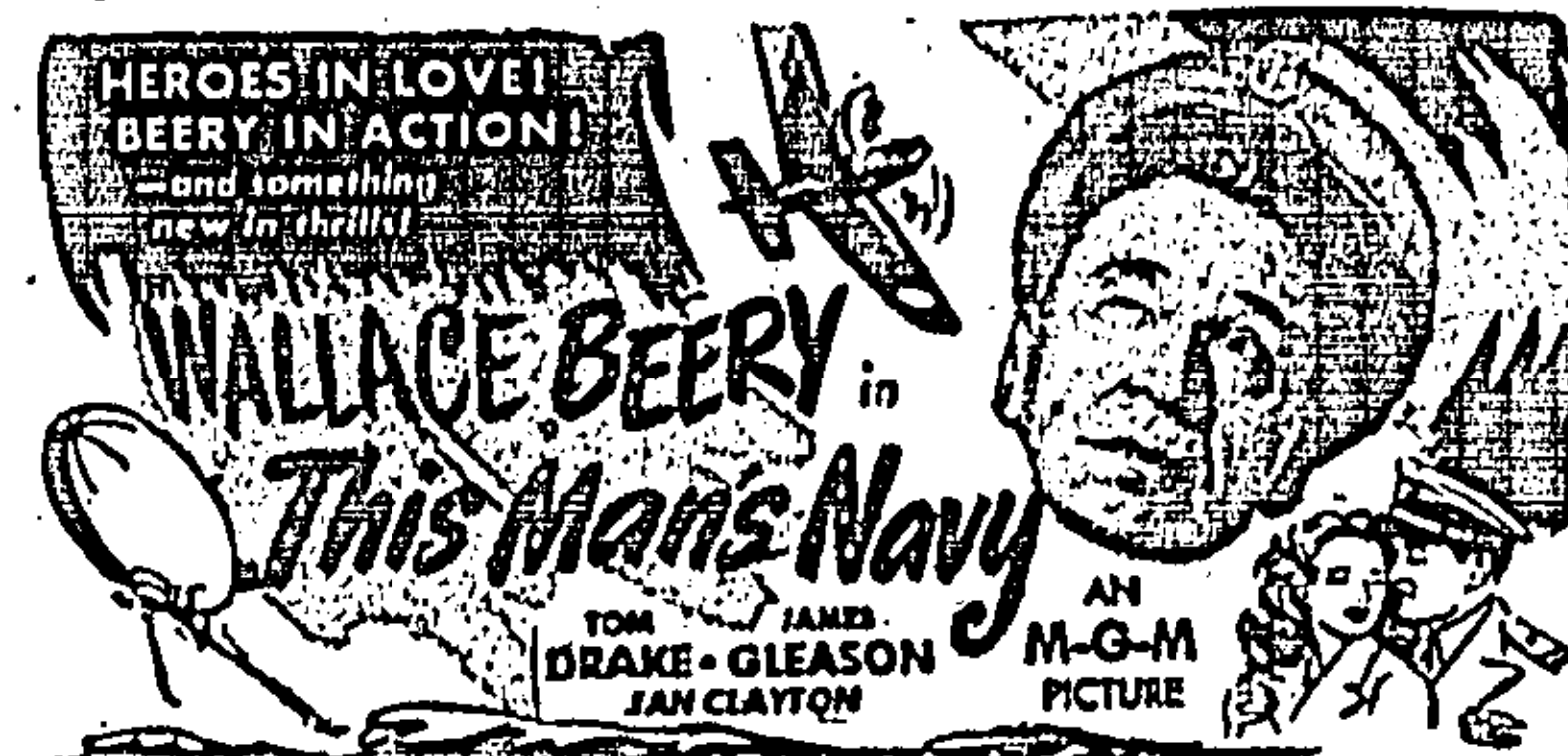
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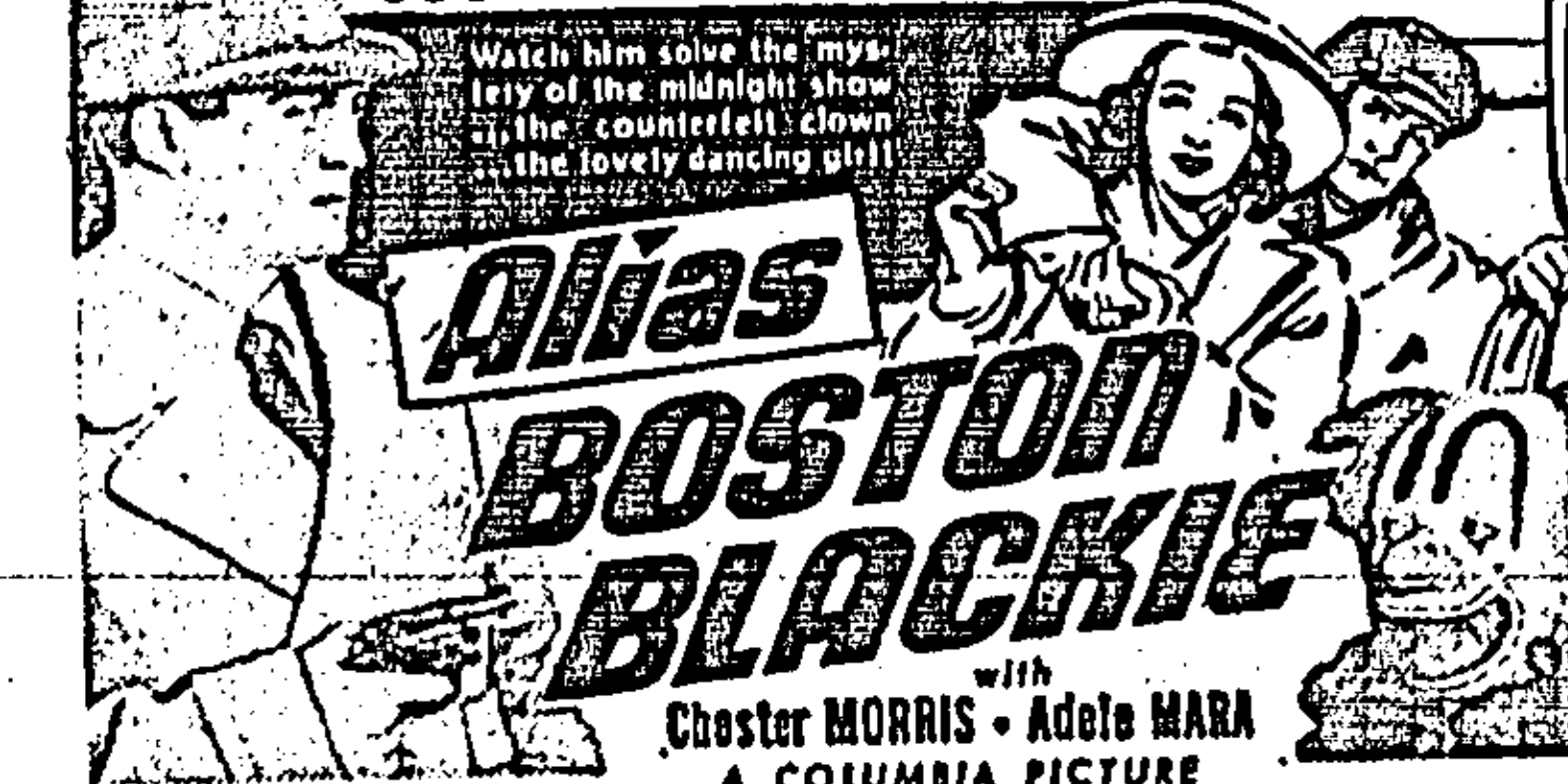
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Man Says He Was Beaten Up By Police

Accused Testifies At Trial

That he was on his way home after visiting his mother when arrested by the Police was the defence put up by Li Yiu, 27, seaman, when he testified before Mr Justice Gould at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Li, together with Li Chi-wing, 24, Chan Mo, 26, Lam Tak, 24, and Tong Shan, 25, is on trial on charges of conspiracy to rob, attempted armed robbery and possession of arms.

Li is additionally charged with possession of an imitation revolver, second accused with possession of arms and ammunition, and third accused with possession of arms.

Mr Perry Chen is appearing for the first and fifth accused, on the instructions of Mr C. A. S. Russ and Mr M. A. da Silva respectively. The other three accused are not legally represented. Mr J. Reynolds (Crown Counsel), assisted by Det. Sub-Insps. D. G. MacPherson, is prosecuting. The jury includes three women.

Earlier, Mr Justice Gould ruled the admissibility of statements following arguments by Counsel on the point.

ACCUSED IN BOX

Li Yiu said he lived in Electric Road. He was a seaman by profession and had been working mostly on Dutch boats. Some months back he left a Dutch steamer which arrived from Japan after certain goods, which he possessed had been seized.

About 8 a.m. on February 13 last, four days after the Chinese New Year, he left home by tramcar to visit the wife of another seaman who lived in Stanley Street. A letter was shown him written by his friend. The letter directed him to meet his friend on board a certain steamer which was shortly due. He took the letter away and then called on his sister in Gate Street. His mother was also living there. He told her that he would soon have a job. About this time his mother, in sweeping the floor, found a toy revolver under a bed. She gave it to him remarking that he should give it to a child to play with.

Accused said he took the toy pistol and left for home on foot. He was passing Lockhart Road when the Police held him up and on searching him found the toy pistol. He had no business whatsoever with house No. 171. Five other people were arrested at the same time. All the prisoners were taken to a police station.

ALLIGES BEAT-UP

After their particulars had been noted, accused said the prisoners were taken to a small room where he alleged he was beaten up by several policemen with fists. About 2 p.m. he was taken out and he signed a statement. The document was written by Sgt. Cheung Wing-kam. Accused said the entire statement was untrue. He did not say that he and six other men intended to commit a robbery in Lockhart Road. He signed the statement because he had been beaten up and he was afraid he would be assaulted again.

Cross-examined, accused said he left his last ship about six or seven months ago. Since then he had been doing odd jobs on board ships in harbour.

The toy revolver was left behind by a former occupant, he was told by his mother.

Gang Caught Stealing Bricks

Eight Chinese were charged before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning with the theft of 2,000 bricks from Belcher's Fort and with trespassing in military grounds yesterday afternoon.

It was revealed in Court that a party of Chinese detectives were sent to the Fort about 3 p.m. and found the gang removing the bricks from the wall by the use of crow-bars.

Chung Chung-chuen, 28, believed to be the leader of the gang, was sentenced to three months' hard labour. Wong Hing, 19, mason, who was additionally charged with breach of a deportation order, was given 13 months' hard labour, while Hong Sang, 25, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to two months' and ordered to undergo a year's Police supervision after completing his sentence. The other five were each sentenced to a month's hard labour.

Inspector H. Brownrigg prosecuted.

Case Adjourned

A summons against Cpl. Ronald Gavin Robinson, of the Royal Marines, attached to Admiralty House, was adjourned sine die by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning, because defendant is away from the Colony.

Robinson was summoned for counselling and procuring Frederick Cartwright to go to Central this morning under the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance on March 7, by obtaining possession of an automatic pistol and six rounds of ammunition.

Arrested at the KCR terminus on Tuesday with 14 bags of raw opium hidden in his sun helmet, Li Yau-him, 22, unemployed, was fined \$1,400 or six months by Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court this morning.

PAULA By DENNIS WHEATLEY

Meadows hunts in the dust and unsilence of the tropics department for a clue.



Letters To The Editor

Traffic Control

Sir,—As a regular reader and admirer of your editorials I was surprised and disappointed to read your leader of yesterday (Tuesday). There is no difficulty in crossing Chater Road, turning Eastward along Chater Road. Furthermore it will be noted that when this West-bound stream of traffic on Des Voeux Rd to get the "Go" signal. That is to say the stream of traffic rolling from the Gloucester Hotel building, proceeding N.E. & West. A very small percentage of this flow of traffic turns Eastward along Chater Road. Furthermore it will be noted that when this West-bound stream is moving the traffic lights in Pedder St and Des Voeux Rd outside the GPO building, are at "Stop".

The suggestion contained in your leading article that quote "The shortcoming disclosed above is so easily remedied. Clearly what is required at the Alexandra and Union Buildings crossing are control lights which synchronise with the lights governing the movement of traffic from the West to East" is entirely wrong. If lights are to be installed they should be synchronised with the above mentioned flow from East to West. There are of course several systems of light control that could be installed, for example, an "all Red" period for traffic moving in every light, thus stopping the movement of all vehicle traffic and giving an "all Green" period for pedestrian traffic. However this would slow up the flow considerably which I should think the Traffic Department are trying to avoid owing to the heavy and continuous flow of traffic in the Colony today.

I do agree with you that the Traffic Department are showing commonsense in dealing with this problem in this city and what is more commendable, are applying standard and modern methods which are in use in other parts of the world instead of running alongside a large number of other Government Departments whose slogan still appear to be "What did we do pre-war".

Having dealt with Traffic problems for some considerable time in other parts of the world, I know how difficult it is to please, as the majority of vehicle owners take much to their nature, and in this city particularly, there is no courtesy extended by pedestrians to drivers and drivers to pedestrians.

"LICENSED DRIVER"

[The correspondent has missed the point.—The danger to pedestrians in the Chater Road crossing is the eastbound traffic is released, especially the traffic which moves round from Pedder Street. The majority of private cars go eastward via Chater Road as it avoids having to detour left again at the Supreme Court.—Ed. H.K.T.]

5% BRAKING EFFICIENCY

A cyclist had a lucky escape from serious injuries when his machine drove into a motor car but collided with the rear mudguard, causing only minor damage.

Driving down a steep slope near the Chinese Cemetery at Tsun Wan on Tuesday, Tsui Hoi-shan, 20, steered his vehicle at right angles into the car. His cycle later was tested by the Police and was found to have no front brake at all, and a very bad rear brake. The whole braking efficiency was rated as only five per cent.

Tsui, who was charged with dangerous riding and having a cycle with insufficient brakes, failed to appear before Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today and had his bail of \$100 estreated.

Special Jury For Murder Trial

It was learned this morning that a Special Jury will be empanelled to hear the Wood Murder Case at the Criminal Sessions. The trial will be before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice E. H. Williams, and will open on May 24.

Three Chinese accused of the murder of L. B. Wood at Customs Path, Kowloon, on Feb. 11 and robbing G. R. Ross, will be defended by Mr D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Messrs Wilkinson and Grist.

Returned Banishee

A young and well-dressed Chinese woman, Chan Mui, 25, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for returning to Hongkong after having been banished for 10 years on April 10 last. She was arrested in Luard Road by Det.-Insp. Davies.

Mao Tse-tung Goes In For Leniency

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Tried To Stowaway

Seven would-be stowaways were sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour by Mr Cairns at the Marine Court this morning.

Sub-Inspector McCarthy reported that the mv Paula, which arrived some time in February, was lying off the Tai Koo Sugar Refinery yesterday when the accused, who were farmers, fishermen and one unemployed man, all from Sha Tin and Tai Po, were found on board without tickets or permission. They pleaded they were unable to obtain employment and were trying to go to Singapore. The report of the fingerprinting showed that the unemployed defendant had had a previous conviction, but not for the same offence.

LEAKING EXTINGUISHER

The coxswain of a motor junk was fined \$100 or one month for failing to keep his fire appliances in good condition and for having either lifebuoys or lifebelts on board.

There was only one fire extinguisher on board when the vessel was stopped by Police near Shamshuipo. It was found to contain water instead of foam, and was leaking at the nozzle. He should have had two extinguishers and four lifebuoys on board, stated Sub-Inspector McCarthy.

Defendant pleaded that he had not left port and was merely trying to keep his engine working, that he had one extinguisher filled with foam. The other was ashore being refilled.

The mistresses of two Class IV boats were each fined \$15 or three days for lying alongside the Sai Kung Wharf, which was a private wharf, without the permission of the owner. Defendants pleaded that they were sick and had gone alongside to buy medicine.

Pawned Govt. Uniforms

A Police trainee admitted eight charges of unlawful pawning of government issued uniforms and was sentenced to 10 weeks by Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today.

According to Inspector Baker, the defendant, Au Yeung-hang, 24, was arrested on May 7 at the Police Training School. When questioned, he admitted having pawned the clothing issued to him. The articles were pawned over a period covering three months and he obtained \$51 for woolen trousers, three pairs of blue serge trousers, four khaki shirts and a pair of khaki shorts.

Kwok pawned the clothing through financial distress, according to Inspector Baker. He had a wife and child in Canton and his mother and another child in Hongkong depending on his support. There were no government marks on the clothing.

Man's Foolhardy Action

An "unusual case of smuggling" in which a man attempted to hand a parcel to a passenger on a train for Canton as it was gathering speed, was brought before Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today.

The case was against an unemployed youth, Kwok Yee-ngau, of 39, Peking Road, second floor, who was charged with trespassing on KCR property and doing an act likely to endanger his own safety. He was fined \$100.

Inspector Orem disclosed this morning that Kwok was inside the railway compound near the Hoi's Wharf on Tuesday morning passing a parcel to his friend who was on a train leaving for Canton. The train was gathering speed at the time.

GOLD CONFISCATED

Gold to the value of \$15,707.60 was confiscated by Mr Blair-Kerr at Kowloon this morning when S. M. Booh, 41, of Singapore failed to answer a charge of illegal export.

RO Humphreys, who also applied for Booh's \$100 bail to be estreated, said the 40.7 tacks of gold were seized at Kai Tak air field on Tuesday.

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Mao Tse-tung outlined the programme on April 1 at a meeting of party leaders, emphasising that the Communists must prohibit "indiscriminate violence" in the occupied sections of China.

The Communist radio in North China broadcast part of the speech today and will complete it tomorrow. It was heard by the Associated Press in San Francisco.

There have been rumblings of discontent at heavy-handed Chinese Communist rule in the conquered areas, particularly in the land distribution programme. Mao devoted considerable time in his speech to this subject.

The Communist Party leader declared that Communist agrarian reform must see that "middle peasants" are allowed to farm more land than the "poor peasants." One criticism of Communist policy is that good farmers are evicted from the land and replaced by poor farmers.

"The sort of ideology now prevalent in the villages," said Mao, "which advocates the destruction of industry and commerce and advocates absolute equalitarianism in the matter of distributing the land is an action that is backward in nature."

Mao said the Communist agrarian policy must be aimed at the feudal system of exploitation of the peasant, and not the individuals themselves.

He said special care must be taken not to encroach upon "middle peasants, labourers, professional people and new-type rich peasants, all of whom do not engage in exploitation, or engage in only slight exploitation."

While this policy is intended to be nation-wide, Mao outlined it before a group of leaders from the North China provinces of Shansi and Suiyuan.

He criticised both "rightist thought" and "leftist tendencies" within the party, but did not elaborate on it.—Associated Press.

Stored Liquid Without Licence

For storing 110 gallons of High Flash liquid without a licence, Lal King-yun of the World Light Co., 23 Bedford Road, was this morning fined \$250 by Mr Blair-Kerr at Kowloon.

Div. Officer Seymour of the Fire Brigade said the factory was a large one at Tai Kok Tsui and, though not as inflammable as gasoline, the liquid was dangerous and was stored on the exit stairs.

Chin Yuen, owner of a lorry caught by Mr Seymour in Tsun Wan, conveying 185 gallons of kerosene, was fined \$100 by Mr Blair-Kerr.

The lorry had no fire extinguisher and Chin, who owned a petrol station at Tsun Wan ought to have known the regulations, said Mr Seymour.

In both cases the goods were confiscated.

Overcharged For Flour: Fined \$600

A fine of \$600 was imposed by Mr Blair-Kerr at Kowloon this morning on the Hing Ching Hong, 41 Peiho Street, for overcharging 24 cents on a catty of imported flour (56 cents).

The Man Hing Loong, 65, Tai Nam Street was fined \$175 for selling a tin of Cadbury's Cocoa for \$1.80 (\$1.30).

EMPLOYED WOMEN AFTER HOURS

The proprietors of two factories were summoned before Mr Blair-Kerr at Kowloon this morning for employing women workers after 8 p.m. Mr Bond prosecuted.

The Wai San Rubber Factory, 17 Arran Street, which employed 26 women at 10.20 p.m. was fined \$400 and the Sing Lee Weaving Factory, 77 South Wall Road, which employed three women at 9.35 p.m. was fined \$250.

U.S.-Soviet Overtures Bring Relief

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"The United States appreciates and fully understands the desire and, indeed, the necessity of close and friendly relations between the USSR and its neighbours, but the facts spoke for themselves, and I am fully familiar with the event which followed the acceptance by Czechoslovakia of the invitation to the ERP Conference in Paris and her subsequent reversal of this acceptance during the immediately following visit of M. Masaryk (the late M. Jan Masaryk, former Czech Foreign Minister) and M. Gottwald (M. Klement Gottwald, the Czech Prime Minister) to Moscow."

US OPPOSITION EXPLAINED

General Bedell Smith insisted that the United States did not oppose Communism because of its Marxian ideology "but purely and simply because we had seen repeated instances of Communist minorities coming into power by illegal means and against the will of the majority of the population in the countries referred to."

"The United States remained convinced that these minority coups d'etat would have been quite impossible without the moral and physical support of the USSR."

Referring to M. Molotov's complaints about United States-Russian trade relations, General Bedell Smith said: "There was nothing the United States would like better under conditions of reasonable and honest understanding than to participate in expanding trade with the USSR and to contribute to the economic recovery of the Soviet States which had suffered during the war."

"If proof were desired of our previous feelings in this respect, it could be found in the fact that under long-lease we had shipped to the USSR enormous values in basic industrial plants which, when shipped, obviously would not be in time to contribute to the war effort."

"Our change in view with regard to trade was again a direct reflection of the Soviet expansionist policies referred to in my previous conversation."

THE ONLY NON-VIOLATION

Insisting that he did not want to start a game of "the pot calling the kettle black," General Bedell Smith said he had told M. Molotov he had recently reviewed some of America's past agreements with the USSR, particularly the Roosevelt-Litvinov agreement, and "that I would remind him of what I am sure he already knows—that the only provision of this agreement which had not been violated by the USSR was the permitting of the presence of an American clergyman in Moscow."

"However, these were matters which it would be profitless for us to pursue to the exclusion of the major issues."

The State Department issued the additional comments by General Bedell Smith without comment.

Observers noted that General Bedell Smith replied to almost every point of criticism in M. Molotov's remarks, but made no reference to the Soviet suggestion of "a discussion and settlement of the differences existing between us."

The original exchange of views and additional statement by General Bedell Smith had served, it was recognised, to stress the broad differences of view which would have to be tackled if the proposed meeting were held.

In issuing the further remarks of General Bedell Smith, the State Department was considered by some observers to be trying to regain some of the initiative in the exchanges and to put the existing differences into perspective in relation to the proposal for a meeting.—Reuter.

KIDNAP CHASE

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The sources said the Russians then deployed 10 men along the river and set up a machine-gun, firing two bursts at the Neubauers as they started away from the American post.

The Russians then called to the U.S. guard asking him to force the Austrians to return to the Soviet side of the river. The guard replied he could not make them go if they did not want to.

A Soviet officer and three marines, two of them carrying rifles, then crossed to the American shore, examined the Neubauers identification cards, pocketed them and forced the two Austrians into the Soviet boat and return across the river.

The American sources said there were reports, not yet confirmed, that Neubauer and his wife have since been released.—United Press.

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DAVIS CUP

Oslo, May 11.—Norway and Great Britain were level, each side having won one singles match, at the end of the first day's play here today in the second round of the European Zone Davis Cup tie.

The results were—Johan Hanneke (Norway) beat Jeff Paige (Britain) by 6-2, 4-6, 4-6, 6-4, and Tony Mottram (Britain) beat Jan Staudo (Norway) 6-2, 6-1, 6-2. —Reuter.

National Games

Nearing End

Shanghai, May 12.—With the conclusion of track and field events yesterday, main interest in the National Athletic Meet will be centred today on the final round in soccer, basketball and volleyball, in which the last four teams will play each other.

Play in ping pong reached the final round as a result of eliminations yesterday.

In the men's event, Y. H. Wang, of Taiwan, will clash with H. C. Hsueh, while Y. C. Liang, of Hongkong, will play W. P. Yang, of Canton.

According to the final tabulations issued last night, Taiwan won the track and field events by a margin of 80 points over its nearest rival.

Here are the standings:

Taiwan	155½
Air Force	69
Shanghai	61
Navy	45
Malaya	26
Tientsin	18
Canton	15
Peiping	15
Army	15

The ladies' standings follow:

Tsingtao	47
Hopei	37
Kwangtung	33
Taiwan	31
Fukien	26
Peiping	23
Chungking	15
Nanking	11
Shanghai	6
Tientsin	4

Mrs. D. C. Chuan, heading the overseas Chinese athletes from the Philippines, today urged further popularisation of sports among women.

Mrs. Chuan, who is the mother of six sons and two daughters and the grandmother of 14 children, said, "We understand the Government's difficulties."

Overseas Chinese athletes, however, have been pleased at the opportunity of visiting their homeland and hope that a National Athletic Meet could be held every year.—Reuter.

GOLF

DAI REES TO TOUR AMERICAN CIRCUIT

By ARCHIE QUICK

Little Dai Rees, Ryder Cup player and about the most consistent British golfer of the moment, does not intend to stay until the end of the British season.

Soon after the Open Championship at Muirfield, where he will be one of Britain's bulwarks in resisting a very serious American invasion, he intends to leave for America on a lone tour of the autumn tournament circuit. He does not even propose taking his wife.

Rees feels he benefitted greatly from his trip last autumn and, taking his profession seriously, hopes to learn more this time. He is an apt and avid pupil of American methods.

Strangely, his release by South Herts Club means that he will not qualify over the minimum number of rounds for the Harry Vardon Trophy, the memorial to the great South Herts professional which went to Norman Von Nida last season for the lowest aggregate.

Rees told me all this at the Daily Mail southern qualifying tournament at Sandridge Park, Bromley, Kent, where he gained first prize with 68 and 71.

He had a remarkable finish of an albatross two at the sixteenth, followed by a poor six and five at the last two holes.

Dai said he was so mad with himself over that six he played five blind shots at the eighteenth.

His two at the bogey five hole came with a 300 yards drive followed by the holing iron from 200 yards.

Norman Von Nida who, like Rees, has adopted the garb that is a synonym in blue does not, like Rees, intend to play in America this coming autumn and winter. "I shall have had enough golf at the end of my tour in England. It will then have been two and half years continuous play and a quarter million miles in travel."

Already I am playing as though I am tired. Maybe, though, I am worried for I am not hitting where I am aiming," he told me.

Certainly the little Australian's play has not that fine edge of last season and after falling in the opening professional tournament at Moon Park in the qualifying stages he only just scraped through to qualify at Sandridge Park for the finals at Sunningdale.

His caddy now carries a bag and club worth £100. The bag contains

eight irons and four woods, his fourth wood having been added for bad lies out of reach with the iron. He denies that his new American irons are upsetting his play. But there is certainly a difference from the confident little man of a year ago. Four Italians are coming over for the Open and the Americans will almost surely include Johnny Bull, Jimmy Thompson, Lloyd Mangrum and Lawson Little.

Some Brazilians are also coming for the British Amateur as well as the American Frank Stranahan.

WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

London, May 11.—Glenna Collett Vare of Merion, Philadelphia was drawn first out of the hat today for pairings in her fourth bid to win the British Women's Amateur Golf Championship.

Mrs. Vare is captain of the U.S. Women's Golf team which will arrive on Wednesday on the Mauretania to defend its trophy in team matches being resumed for the first time since 1938 when Mrs. Vare led a U.S. team to victory over invading British squad.

Mrs. Vare, now 44, failed three times previously to capture the title which has been won only once by an American. She was a third round victim of the eventual winner, Joyce Wethered, in 1925 and was runner-up in 1929 and 1930.

Ten American women, including all nine members of the Curtis Cup squad, are entered in this year's Championship compared with three last year.—Associated Press.

Squires Hits Up 54

Kennington Oval, May 11.—The Australian cricket tourists beat Surrey by an innings and 296 runs, in their three-day match here. Surrey were all out for 195 in their second innings.

Heavy rain began falling an hour before Surrey were due to resume their fight against an innings defeat by the Australians today. The wicket ends were covered.

The heavy downpour, which lasted more than an hour, was rapidly absorbed by the dry turf, and Surrey was able to have half an hour's play before lunch. The county, with eight wickets left needed 466 runs to save an innings defeat.

Surrey made a stubborn and bold effort to save the match against the Australians by playing out time but eventually the tourists ran out deserved winners with about 15 minutes to spare.

Surrey's batsmen fared a little better than yesterday but they were still no match for the Australian attack. Squires, who is in his benefit year, was chief scorer with

THE SCOREBOARD

Australia 1st Innings—332
Surrey 1st Innings—141
Surrey 2nd Innings—

Fishlock, c Tallon, b Johnston 5
Fletcher, b Johnston 2
Squires, c Harvey, b Ian Johnson 54
Barling, retired 10
Barlow, c B. Johnston, b Lindwall 15
McIntyre, c Tallon, b Toshack 23
Holmes, b Ian Johnson 3
Laker, c I. Johnston, b B. Johnston 20
Bedser, c I. Johnston, b B. Johnston 20
Surrey, c Harvey, b Ian Johnson 20
McMahon, not out 0
Extras 23

Total 195

Howling Analysis:

Lindwall 10 M R W
Bill Johnston 17 3 35 1
Toshack 22 0 40 4
Ian Johnson 15 3 35 1
Ring 10 2 40 3
Byes 15, leg-byes 6, wides 1 and no-balls 1.—Reuter.

54 made in two and three quarters of an hour, while Bill Johnston came out with the best Australian bowling analysis in Surrey's second innings.

County Cricket

London, May 11.—There were two exciting finishes in the county cricket championship matches which ended today. Middlesex, the champions, after dropping first innings

at Taunton: Derbyshire beat Somerset by 4 wickets. Somerset beat 200; Derbyshire 337 and 141 for six (Townsend 64).

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points just managed to beat Hampshire by 12 runs.

Middlesex lost their last five wickets for 14 runs, setting Hampshire to get 107 for a victory.

Jack Young, with his left arm spinners had Hampshire in trouble and finished with seven wickets for 30 runs.

At Trent Bridge, Nottinghamshire scored 76 runs in 35 minutes to beat Warwickshire by 6 wickets with seven minutes to spare. Since the Nottingham captain and Keeton put on 50 runs in 17 minutes to put their side on the road to victory. Sims was not out for 30 and Keeton made 32.

Results:—

At Gillingham: Kent beat Lancashire by 23 runs. Kent 258 and 80, Lancashire 212 and 103. (Dovey five for 34).

At Oxford: Oxford University drew with Yorkshire. Oxford University 351 for 0 declared and 144 for 8 declared. Yorkshire 170 and 316 for six (Halliday 65, Lester 149).

At Cardiff: Glamorgan beat Essex by five wickets. Essex 374 and 197; Glamorgan 261 and 311 for five (Davis 50, Cliff 50, Parnhouse 50, Jones 70).

At Northampton: Northamptonshire drew with Sussex. Northamptonshire 246 and 208 for 8 declared (Brookes 64). Sussex 263 and 138 for one (Lancbridge not out 74).

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SPRIT OF SWEDISH YOUTH



One of a group of gymnasts chosen to represent the youth of Sweden, this young lady will dance in Chicago on the 1948 Swedish Pioneer Centennial programme. She is a member of the Sofia Girl Gymnasts of Stockholm. Following the Chicago appearance, the group will tour the Middle West.

BASEBALL

CLEVELAND'S WINNING STREAK BROKEN

New York, May 11.—In the American League, Allie Reynolds cooled off his former Cleveland teammates by pitching the Yankees to a 4-1 victory for his fifth straight win this season.

It snapped a five-game Indian winning streak.

Boston broke a five game losing streak by beating tall-end Chicago 8-0. Shortstop Vern Stevens homered twice and second baseman Bobby Doerr once for the Red Sox. It was Chicago's seventh straight defeat.

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FOOTBALL

ENGLISH TEAM FOR ITALY

London, May 11.—The England soccer team which plays Italy at Turin next Sunday departed from Northolt airport today in a chartered Skymaster plane.

They touched down first at Geneva, then continued to Italy.

Players travelling were—Swift, Scott, Aston, Ramsay, Howe, Wright, Franklin, Nicholson, Cockburn, Finney, Matthews, Mortensen, Lawton, Mannion, Langton and Pearson.

They did their final training in England on Monday at Highbury.

Afterwards Lawton received treatment for a knock on the ankle.

England plays two other matches in addition to the one at Turin. These are:—

England v Tessa XI at Bellinzona, May 19.

England v Schaffhausen, May 23.—Associated Press.

At half-time the sides were even, each having scored one goal.—Reuter.

Singapore, May 11.—China's touring Olympic soccer team plays its first game in Singapore on May 22 when it meets the Singapore Amateur Football Association's combined services and civilian side.

Other games are against the Malayan Chinese team on May 20 and the

